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*On the Cover:* Robert E. Jeffery and wife, Nita Hoos Jeffery, ca. 1915 at an event in Montevideo, Uruguay recognizing the Red Cross. Nita was an honorary member of the Uruguayan Red Cross. See the article beginning on page 5.

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## EDITOR'S NOTES

Encouraging genealogists to write about family history is one purpose of the AGS Family History Writing Contest. The second prize winning article from the 2007 contest appears in this issue of *The Arkansas Family Historian*. "Mt. Olive to Montevideo," more biography than family history, is the story of a small town Arkansan who became a player in world affairs. Certainly the events described had an impact on his immediate and extended family. This article is an example of how genealogists can put small sketches of their family history in print.

Some newspapers near the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century did not print informative obituaries. *The Drew County Advance* in Monticello, Arkansas, was an exception. Tommy Carter has done a thorough job of abstracting different kinds of notices of death for the years 1895 through 1899 and we present the first part of them here in our second article.

The third article in this issue addresses a Lee family that originated in Virginia and settled in Johnson, now Logan County, Arkansas. The author includes corrections to previously published errors.

Some of the best genealogical information comes from testimonials or personal histories written by people in their own lifetimes. In the case of Martha Hendrix, her brief description of her life and marriage, and specifically her lonely Civil War experiences with her young children gives us all an eye into the past.

We include in this issue a translation of a document written in French and found during the processing of a collection of family papers at the state archives. The document is an 18<sup>th</sup> century extract of an earlier baptismal record. Despite the possibility of multiple errors resulting from transcription, translation and difficult handwriting, the record provides information about a colonial woman's birth, parents, marriage, and length of life.

We try not to bring you the same kinds of articles, records, and information in each issue, but this time we have broken our own rule. We were unable to pass up another obituary list, this one more current and from California where many former Arkansans live and die. We are very proud of member Mildred Tatum who has watched for these death notices and taken time to share them with others.

A 1948 voter list from Arkansas Township in Arkansas County provides us with names from a time period not often easy to research. The inclusion of race and school district provides helpful additional

information. The number of women registered with their husband's name speaks to the self-perceived status of women at the time.

Two Ancestry Certificate lineage charts, numerous queries, and several book reviews complete this issue. We hope you will find it helpful and informative.

We would be happy to receive your submissions of interesting family or local history, cemetery surveys, or transcripts, abstracts, or extracts of documents, records or newspaper articles. Remember you may submit as many queries as you want at any time during the year by e-mailing them to [Publications@agsgenealogy.org](mailto:Publications@agsgenealogy.org), or mailing them to AGS, P.O. Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222.

Applying for AGS Ancestry Certificates will help you organize and analyze your research. The directions for obtaining the application are printed on the page before the back cover of this journal. By printing your ancestry chart in this quarterly, we will help you share and preserve your research information forever. The lineage chart and documentation you provide as proof for the certificate will be deposited at the Arkansas History Commission and filmed. The process is one more way in which you can publish your family history and its documentation in small batches and make it available for future generations.

Don't forget the deadline for the Family History Writing contest is 30 June 2008. The rules and entry form appear in the back of this journal. Prizes will be awarded at the Arkansas Genealogical Society Fall Conference on 8 November 2008. We look forward to receiving your family history article.

Susan Gardner Boyle

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## 2007 AGS Family History Writing Contest Second Prize

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### MOUNT OLIVE TO MONTEVIDEO: POLITICS AND STRANGE BEDFELLOWS

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The old assertion that politics makes strange bedfellows<sup>1</sup> certainly received a credibility boost in 1915 when President Woodrow Wilson appointed Robert Emmett Jeffery Jr. Foreign Minister to represent the United States in Montevideo, the capital city of Uruguay. As it happened, these two strangers lived a thousand miles apart—in more ways than one. If Alice had been there at the time, she would have thought that she was back in Wonderland.

At one end stood Woodrow Wilson immaculately dressed in top hat, white tie, and tails—the tall, urbane Virginia aristocrat, sophisticated Princeton graduate, and holder of a PhD from Johns Hopkins University, a former president of Princeton, a previous governor of New Jersey, and now President of the United States. At the other end stood Wilson's most unlikely ally, Robert Emmett Jeffery Jr., self-made product of a primitive one-room school in rural north Arkansas who never darkened the door of a college, nor ever dreamed of exchanging his blue denim overalls for a formal morning coat and a silk top hat.

The few school terms Robert Jeffery attended never lasted for more than three months at a time as he sat with other kids on cedar logs struggling to master the “three Rs.” *McGuffey's Readers*<sup>2</sup> comprised the

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<sup>1</sup> In Williamsburg, Virginia, during the Colonial period, so many people came to the town for “Publick Times” (court) that the normal population of 2,000 would increase to 6,000. Since lodging was in short supply, local inns and taverns would rent bed space on the floor in eight-hour shifts around the clock. The sleepers would lie on the floor in rows, and one never knew in advance who would be his companions in slumber.

<sup>2</sup> *McGuffey's Readers*, first published in 1879 by The American Book Company, was a set of six small books that began with the alphabet and learning words with three letters, and progressed with increasing difficulty to writings from an amazing array of the world's greatest literature. Some of the writers that Robert E. Jeffery Jr. was exposed to in *McGuffey's Readers* included William Shakespeare, Samuel Johnson, Charles Dickens, John Ruskin, Sir Walter Scott, the Bible, Thomas Jefferson, Oliver Wendell

sum and substance of their school “library” at Mount Olive, a remote village in Izard County, Arkansas. Later, while Mr. Wilson studied law at the prestigious University of Virginia, Robert Jeffery read law from a set of tattered books under the tutelage of a country lawyer in a modest law office in Batesville, Arkansas.

The social, economic, and cultural distance that separated these two men was far greater than the twelve hundred miles from the mountains of Mount Olive to the monuments in Washington, D.C. Despite the immense differences in their lives, however, the President and the young man from the Arkansas hills did share three important attributes. Both of them held fast to their Presbyterian heritage, their impeccable honesty, and their proven competence in public administration.

But the question remains. Why would the President of the United States select Robert Emmett Jeffery Jr., country lawyer and obscure Arkansas circuit court judge, for the mission to Montevideo? The fact is that Wilson wanted Jeffery for the post precisely because of his humble background. To understand how politics propelled these two fellows into their unlikely relationship, you must first know something of Woodrow Wilson’s views about democracy and especially his thinking about Foreign Service officers.

Although Wilson was born into the privileged class, he firmly believed that in a Democratic society opportunities should be open to all regardless of their cultural, social or economic backgrounds. After his election as president, Wilson often ignored the professionals in the State Department and the Foreign Service because he genuinely did not trust them. He thought too many of them were products of exclusive schools and a snobbish society. As Wilson explained:

“We find that those who have been occupying the legations and embassies have been habituated to the point of view which is very different, indeed, from the point of view of the present administration. They have had the material interests of individuals in the United States very much more in mind than the moral and public considerations which it seems to us ought to control. They have been so bred in a different school that we

have found, in several instances, that it was difficult for them to comprehend our point of view and purpose.”<sup>3</sup>

Because of his distrust of the Foreign Service professionals, and other government officials in general, President Wilson relied heavily on personal friends he had made in academia for advice and consultation. While in graduate school at Johns Hopkins, Wilson studied with a group of brilliant and earnest students that included Albert Shaw,<sup>4</sup> later editor of the *Review of Reviews*. Dr. Shaw and Woodrow Wilson had been roommates at Princeton. Dr. Shaw and Edward Mandell House (aka Colonel House) were among a handful of private citizens that shared Wilson’s views on meritocracy, and who influenced many of his decisions throughout his Presidency.<sup>5</sup>

In the larger scheme of today’s world, Uruguay is not a major player. However, in 1915 when World War I began to creep toward American shores, Uruguay was quite important to the interests of the United States. Sandwiched between Brazil to the north and Argentina to the south, Uruguay occupied a strategic commercial and military position. Germany eyed Montevideo with its excellent harbor and world class shipping facilities as a critical asset to service their battle ships and submarines that were operating along South America’s Atlantic coast.

Robert Jeffery’s mission to Montevideo was to intensify U.S. diplomatic efforts as a countermeasure to reduce or eliminate the heavy German influence that gripped Uruguay in those early days of World War I.

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<sup>3</sup> Woodrow Wilson to C. W. Eliot, 17 September 1913. *Papers of Woodrow Wilson*, Library of Congress, cited by A.S. Link in *The Philosophy and Policies of Woodrow Wilson*, E. Lathem, editor, (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1958), 161.

<sup>4</sup> I have enjoyed the unique privilege of a long friendship with Dr. Albert Shaw’s widow, Virginia Shaw English, my neighbor in Virginia for thirty years. She was a young concert singer in New York when she married Dr. Shaw who was considerably older than she. She became a close friend of Woodrow Wilson’s second wife, Edith Bolling Gault. Edith Bolling Gault was a direct descendant of Pocahontas. Virginia Shaw married Dr. Bruce English after the death of Albert Shaw. She told me once (with much agitation) that Dr. Shaw had warned President Wilson not to go to Europe after the close of the First World War. Dr. Shaw feared that the crafty British and French negotiators would take advantage of Wilson’s lack of diplomatic experience and naiveté as a negotiator in developing the Treaty of Versailles. In retrospect, it appears that Shaw’s fears were well-founded.

<sup>5</sup> C. Seymour, *Woodrow Wilson and the World War*. (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1921), 47-48.

Robert Emmett Jeffery Jr. was born into a family of public service officials 30 January 1875 at Mount Olive, Arkansas, to Dr. Robert Emmett Jeffery Sr. and the former Mary Carson.<sup>6</sup> He acquired the nickname, Boyse (Boy-zee), at an early age. His family and close friends knew him by that name throughout his life.

Boyse's grandfather, Miles Jeffery, his great-grandfather, Jehoiada Jeffery, and his great-uncle, Daniel Jeffery, were among the early political leaders in the development of Arkansas. Jehoiada Jeffery served in the House of Representatives in 1842-43. Daniel Jeffery served in the House in 1846-47. Miles Jeffery represented Izard County in the House from 1856 to 1859. Boyse's father, Dr. Robert E. Jeffery Sr., served as a page in the House during Miles Jeffery's term. Boyse represented Stone County in the House in 1901-02 and his son, R. E. Jeffery III served as page to the chief clerk during the 1930 session of the House.<sup>7</sup>

Boyse's younger brother, Forrest Jeffery, served as Independence County Judge at Batesville in the 1950s. More than a few of Boyse's cousins and uncles served in other capacities such as sheriffs, justices of the peace, road commissioners, magistrates, etc. in the early days of Izard County.

Boyse Jeffery was admitted to the bar at Mountain View, Arkansas, in 1900 at age twenty-five and was soon elected as representative from Stone County to the Arkansas Legislature. After his legislative term ended, he established a law practice at Newport, Arkansas. While in Newport, he ran successfully for prosecuting attorney in 1906 and served in that capacity until his election as circuit court judge in 1910. Soon, his reputation as a highly competent, fair, and impartial judge marked him as a rising star in the Democratic Party.

Like any good politician, William Oldfield kept an eye on potential opponents back home that might be a threat to unseat him in future elections. Gazing southward toward Newport, Arkansas, he determined that the most serious challenger to his post was Robert Boyse Jeffery, the

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<sup>6</sup> Owen Dixon, *Jeffery Genealogy* (Bend, Oregon: self-published, 1938), 18. Owen Dixon married into the Jeffery family and lived at Mount Olive, Arkansas. He was a contemporary of Robert E. Jeffery Jr. and personally knew him, his parents, and siblings. Most of his genealogical research was founded on person-to-person interviews with much of it based on entries in family Bibles. His sister gave me a copy of his work which has been in my possession for many years.

<sup>7</sup> J. E. Hinshaw, *Call the Roll: The First Hundred Years of the Arkansas Legislature* (Little Rock, Arkansas: Rose Publishing Co., 1985), 198.

popular circuit court judge. In 1912, Boyse had just been elected to a second term. Since his growing reputation posed a definite hazard to William Oldfield's political health, Oldfield needed a strategy to defend his congressional seat from the up and coming political star in Newport.

William Oldfield had been in Congress long enough to know his way around. He had made some friends in high places including President Woodrow Wilson, Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan, President Wilson's unofficial advisor, Colonel House, and James P. Clarke, Senator from Arkansas.<sup>8</sup>

In designing his strategy, Oldfield contributed further evidence to support the notion that it's not always your friends that help you get ahead, and it's not always your enemies that hold you back. Figuring that the best defense is a good offense, Oldfield went to work as a leading supporter of his perceived enemy, Judge Robert E. Jeffery Jr.

To head off the possibility of Boyse's entrance into a congressional race against him, Oldfield lobbied President Wilson, Secretary of State Bryan, Senator Clarke, and Colonel House seeking an appointment somewhere in the executive branch for his feared future opponent.

Meanwhile, Boyse had expanded his circle of political allies that included his friend, Senator James P. Clarke, a powerful political figure in Washington. Along the way, Boyse came to rely on Mr. Clarke for advice and political contacts at higher levels of government. Clarke had served in both houses of the Arkansas Legislature, first as a Representative in the House in 1887-88, and then in the Senate from 1889 to 1892. He was elected as the nineteenth Attorney General in Arkansas in 1892 and Governor in 1894.<sup>9</sup>

Later, Clark was elected United States Senator in 1903, and twice (1913-1915) as U.S. Senate President Pro Tem. He served on the powerful foreign relations committee and the commerce committee in 1915. Moreover, since he and Woodrow Wilson were both students together at the University of Virginia Law School in 1878-79, Clarke was well-positioned to recommend his friend and fellow Arkansan, Boyse, for the post in Uruguay.<sup>10</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> See G. H. Campbell, "William Allan Oldfield: 1874-1928," *The Izard County Historian*, Dolph, Arkansas, ed. Helen C. Lindley, 1983, Vol. 14, No. 3, pp. 2-8.

<sup>9</sup> Hinshaw, *Call the Roll*, 198.

<sup>10</sup> O. E. McNight and B. W. Johnson, *The Arkansas Story* (Oklahoma City: Harlow Publishing Co., 1956), 250-251.

While William Oldfield was busy implementing his clever political plot that included Wilson, Bryan, Shaw, Clarke, House, and Jeffery, the need for the mission to Montevideo surfaced. Due to the cunning defensive work of Oldfield in protecting his turf and the offensive maneuvering of James P. Clarke, the name Robert Emmett Jeffery Jr. became known to President Wilson and William Jennings Bryan.

Upon further investigation into Boyse's background, the President and his Secretary of State knew that they had their man for the Uruguay legation. He represented the ideal candidate they were looking for—an individual unspoiled by exclusive schools and a snobbish society, an honest Arkansas judge far removed from the Eastern establishment, not an aristocrat or an apple polishing imitator of the wealthy classes.<sup>11</sup>

Heeding the advice of his political mentor, James P. Clarke, Boyse agreed that the exciting opportunity to serve the United States in a foreign embassy was too appealing to turn down. His official appointment by President Wilson came 3 February 1915, with the lofty title of Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary.

By this time, Boyse was in his fortieth year. He had become so immersed in his public service career that he had neglected certain other important aspects of life—namely marriage and a family of his own. Uruguay was too far from home to be alone. Feeling a sense of urgency, he decided to take immediate steps to rectify the situation.

So—at age forty, exactly one month after his appointment, Boyse took for his bride a young woman half his age, twenty-one year old Nita Hoos, 17 March 1915, at the Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri. Nita Hoos, a native of Heber Springs, Arkansas, was born 11 October 1894. Well now—if it appears that Boyse was robbing the cradle, he came by it naturally. His father, Dr. Robert E. Jeffery Sr., married a third time, 25 January 1891, at age forty-eight to sixteen-year-old Effie Hopper from Stone County, Arkansas.<sup>12</sup>

Shortly after their wedding, Boyse and Nita traveled by steamer to South America to begin their exciting new life together in a new and unfamiliar country.<sup>13</sup> Boyse's new appointment brought winners all

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<sup>11</sup> A. S. Link, "Wilson the Diplomatist", cited in *Philosophy and Policies of Woodrow Wilson* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1958), 152. Reprinted by permission of the Johns Hopkins Press from *Woodrow Wilson: A Look at his Major Foreign Policies* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press, 1957), 4-28.

<sup>12</sup> Dixon, *Jeffery Genealogy*, 18.

<sup>13</sup> Personal communication (ca. 1917—the date is not clear). Letter from Foreign Minister Jeffery in Montevideo to his younger brother, Forrest Jeffery, at Batesville,

around. William Oldfield could relax now. He had successfully saved his House of Representatives seat from Boyse's grasp. And the newlyweds were thrilled at the prospect of a paid honeymoon to an exotic land courtesy of Uncle Sam.

Boyse's signal accomplishment in Uruguay was his success in rallying that nation to support the United States during World War I. He worked hard with the Uruguayan government to deny the German navy the use of Montevideo's port—one of the major ports in South America. By December 1917, two years after Boyse had arrived in Montevideo, Uruguay severed diplomatic relations with the German government.<sup>14</sup>

Of a total of 48 foreign ministers from the United States that have served in Uruguay, Robert Emmett Jeffery Jr. became the eighteenth to occupy the post. Almost all of the foreign ministers from the U.S. to Uruguay were career Foreign Service



ROBERT E. JEFFERY JR., U.S. FOREIGN  
MINISTER TO URUGUAY FROM 1915  
TO 1921

officers. He was one of only six non-career appointees ever to occupy the embassy at Montevideo, and his six years of service comprised the second longest term as Foreign Minister there. His mission to Montevideo was terminated 9 March 1921 after having served President Wilson's administration at the most critical time in U.S.-Uruguay relations during all of the First World War.<sup>15</sup>

Foreign Minister and Mrs. Jeffery had two sons, Robert III and Jerry. Robert III was born 13 August 1917 at Heber Springs, Arkansas. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy with the Class of Nineteen

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Arkansas. Boyse wrote frequently to the folks back home. He always signed his letters as "Emmett", his middle name. This letter, together with fourteen others, is in possession of the writer.

<sup>14</sup> Albert Shaw, *The Messages and Papers of Woodrow Wilson* (New York: The Review of Reviews Corporation, 1924), 432.

<sup>15</sup> Embassy of the United States of America, Montevideo, Uruguay, *Former Ambassadors to Uruguay* (n.d.). Retrieved 17 January 2007 from <http://Montevideo.usembassy.gov/usaweb/paginas/01-010EN.shtml>

Hundred and Forty<sup>16</sup> and served as a career officer in the U.S. Navy. Part of his service was aboard the USS Nevada in World War II. He married Hannah McIntyre at Seattle, Washington, 18 May 1942. Hannah was the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Henry McIntyre of Honolulu, Hawaii, and Randolph, Vermont.<sup>17</sup>

Jerry Henry Jeffery was born at Montevideo, Uruguay, 15 March 1919. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps as a bomber pilot in World War II. Because of his birthplace at Montevideo, Jerry never received a birth certificate. He had to use his father's passport as proof of citizenship that was required of Army applicants. The diplomatic passport was signed by Woodrow Wilson, President, and William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State. Jerry married Dorcas Harrison in 1940 at Tuckerman, Arkansas. They now live in Newport, Arkansas.<sup>18</sup>

Judge Robert Jeffery strongly believed in the value of education and traveled frequently to backwoods schools in north Arkansas to encourage young people to study hard. My father once told me long ago about an unforgettable analogy that Judge Jeffery used in a talk at his school. Boyse was stressing the point that kids needed to apply themselves while young because that was when the brain was soft and malleable. As Judge Jeffery explained, "You see, when you are young your brain is soft like butter and can absorb information and ideas. However, as you grow older, your brain becomes hard like an onion and information and new ideas just bounce off."

The issues that Boyse faced during his career ranged from the most trivial complaints by local constituents to sensitive negotiations with foreign governments. He gave his full attention to all of them. While Circuit Judge in the hills of north Arkansas he was presented one day with a written statement by the editor of a Mountain View newspaper, S. A. McCullough,<sup>19</sup> that the local sheriff of Stone County, S. T. Cypert, failed to uphold the law by ignoring games of chance operated at a carnival passing through town. The editor was incensed when the sheriff

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<sup>16</sup> Graduation announcement, U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland, 6 June 1940. The card announcing this graduation is in possession of the writer.

<sup>17</sup> Wedding announcement, *Arkansas Gazette*, Little Rock, Arkansas, Sunday, 7 June 1942, Social News, Third Section, p. 1, col. 5.

<sup>18</sup> Personal communication, 5 January 2007.

<sup>19</sup> S. A. McCullough was editor and proprietor of *The Democrat*, a Mountain View newspaper established in 1881. McCullough claimed a circulation of 900. The handwritten statement regarding gambling at Mountain View is in possession of the writer.

said to him, “Well, I don’t know. Anyway, let the boys alone (Stone County boys). Let them learn something.”

The outcome of this weighty matter between good and evil has been lost in the mists of time. But I suspect that Judge Jeffery agreed with Sheriff Cypert about educating the local boys in games of chance.

John Quincy Wolf Sr. tells of a trial in Stone County, Arkansas, when Boyse was a prosecuting attorney. A young man was being tried for disturbing public worship in a Baptist church at Red Stripe, Arkansas. The key witness for the prosecution was an old lady who testified that she had seen the defendant acting giddily and staggering down the aisle to the center of the house where he laughed and talked to those around him. She had been greatly disturbed by his conduct and allowed as how others in the congregation had also been disturbed.

The defense attorney attempted to destroy the old lady’s testimony with a well-planned cross-examination. He went on to explain to the judge and jury that it is only human nature to see in others what we are looking for. If we look for faults we can usually find them. Although he believed the witness to be a good woman—a splendid woman—it is only natural for a young man to cut up now and then. Instead of paying attention to the sermon, she was *watching* the boy. If she had been listening, singing, and praying instead of *watching* she would not have been disturbed.

The whole courtroom sensed that the boy was going to go scot-free with this sharp defense. But then Prosecuting Attorney Jeffery took the floor and his rejoinder was brief:

“The defense counsel has not dared to question a single statement that this good woman has made. Instead, he has tried to break down her testimony by telling you and this jury of sensible, God-fearing men that she did too much *watching* and that she should have been praying instead of *watching*. When did it become a crime for Christian people to *watch*? We can’t be too *watchful* in seeing that the worship of God is given full respect. Ah, gentlemen of the jury, that Good Book that we all love, that is dearer to us than life itself, says to you and me and to all of us, ‘*Watch and Pray*’. That’s the word of God, gentlemen: ‘*watch*’ as well as pray.”

John Q. Wolf turned to his friend, Dennis Dozier, and whispered, “Jeffery’s got him—he’s guilty—it’s all over.” And it was. The jury took

about five minutes to concur with Boyse's irrefutable logic by finding the defendant guilty.<sup>20</sup>

Boyse Jeffery suffered a stroke at age fifty and died ten years later, 19 May 1935, at the relatively young age of sixty in Newport, Arkansas. He is buried in Oaklawn Cemetery at Batesville, Arkansas. His widow, Nita Hoos Jeffery remarried 17 May 1943 to Rex Brown and continued to live in Newport.

Someone once said, "It's not where you get to--it's where you started from." It is approximately 7,000 miles from Boyse's primitive one room school in the backwoods of Mount Olive, Arkansas, to the stylish American Embassy in Montevideo, Uruguay. That calculation, of course, is only in geographical terms. In terms of McGuffey's Readers and Sears & Roebuck overalls to chic menus in Spanish and elegant black-tie dinners at an American Embassy—the distance becomes far greater. Boyse's appointment to Uruguay as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary clearly demonstrates the notion that politics do, indeed, make strange bedfellows.

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<sup>20</sup> John Q. Wolf, *Life in the Leatherwoods*, (Memphis: Memphis State University Press, 1974), 124-126.

**THE DREW COUNTY ADVANCE (WEEKLY)  
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Part I

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This index includes obituaries, death notices, memorials, tributes, resolutions of respect, and anything concerning administration or guardianship of an estate printed in the weekly *Drew County Advance* printed on Tuesdays. The newspapers abstracted for this index are accessible on microfilm at the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives in Little Rock. They are filed under Monticello newspapers, *Drew County Advance* Weekly, Rolls 1 & 2. Very few issues are missing from the microfilm.

*The Monticellonian* was the other weekly newspaper published in Monticello in the same time period. It may contain the death notice for your person of interest if you don't find it in the *Advance*.

Each entry begins with the name of the deceased, followed by the date, page, and column of the newspaper, plus date of death and any descriptive information provided in the article.

Bass, T. H., 5 June 1894, p. 3, col. 3; died 1 June 1894 in Little Rock; formerly of this city

Thompson, 5 June 1894, p. 3, col. 5; child of Fanny Thompson burned to death

Aydelott, William, 5 June 1894, p. 3, col. 5; died 2 June 1894 at Gates' mill, Wilmar, Ark.

Elle, Louis, 19 June 1894, p. 3, col. 6; killed at Texarkana; formerly of this place; leaves wife and several children

Royal, Wiley, 19 June 1894, p. 3, col. 7; died 13 June 1894 at Forney, Tex.; formerly of this city; mother Mrs. Joseph F. Bussey returned home

- Sage, 19 June 1894, p. 3, col. 5; daughter of Rev. J. A. Sage died at Stephens a few days ago
- Cotham, Ada, 26 June 1894, p. 3, col. 3; died last Wednesday evening; wife of R. Cotham; buried in New Cemetery by Rev. J. McLauchlan
- Thompson, E. F., 26 June 1894, p. 3, col. 4; died 23 June 1894 at his residence in this city; from Ashley Co. where he married his wife; also leaves a child; buried New Cemetery 24 June; member of Masonic fraternity
- Cason, A. J., 10 July 1894, p. 3, col. 6; Commissioner's Sale of real estate
- Shepphard, Dave, 10 July 1894, p. 3, col. 4; killed 3 July at Wilmar by Freeman Lamb
- Jones, C. K., 17 July 1894, p. 3, col. 5; died 5 July 1894 at Natchitoches, La.; former editor of *The Monticellonian*
- Davis, J. H., 31 July 1894, p. 3, col. 2; died 25 July 1894; of Saline township, near Wilmar; leaves wife and three children
- Harris, A. E., 31 July 1894, p. 3, col. 4; Commissioner's Sale of real estate
- Thompson, E. F., 31 July 1894, p. 3, col. 4; died 23 June 1894; Tribute of Respect from Eureka Lodge No. 40 F. and A. M.
- Peers, John W., 7 August 1894, p. 3, col. 3; died 29 July 1894 at his residence ten miles east of Monticello; leaves wife
- Ferguson, Irene Glossup, 14 August 1894, p. 2, col. 7; died 26 July 1894; born 6 September 1879, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Ferguson; leaves parents, five sisters and seven brothers
- Finn, Ned, 28 August 1894, p. 3, col. 5; died 25 August 1894 at Farmerville, La.; eldest son of Mr. R. W. Finn of this city; also leaves mother
- Huggard, John, 11 September 1894, p. 3, col. 4; died 8 September 1894 at Pine Bluff
- Mark, Charles, 11 September 1894, p. 3, col. 5; age about 40; Frenchman by birth; came here from Vicksburg, Miss.; overdose of morphine

- Van Patten, Harper, 11 September 1894, p. 2, col. 7; died Wednesday, 8 August 1894; son of C. H. Van Patten
- Festall, 25 September 1894, p. 2, col. 4; infant son of Mr. John Festall of Wilmar died last week
- Gaddy, Miss Katharine, 25 September 1894, p. 2, col. 4; died last week
- House, Wiley, 25 September 1894, p. 2, col. 4; son of Mr. Jno. D. House died 16 September 1894 at the home of Mr. Luke Owens
- Thompson, W. E., 2 October 1894, p. 3, col. 5; died Saturday, 25 September 1894, at Little Rock; body brought back to Monticello and buried at City Cemetery
- Thompson, Woodville E., 9 October 1894, p. 2, col. 5-7; died 25 September 1894, age 60; born 30 September 1824 in Maury Co., Tenn; Confederate veteran; Professor; leaves wife and eight children; brother J. Frank Thompson of Cameron, Tex.
- Robertson, Emma, 16 October 1894, p. 2, col. 7; died 9 October 1894; wife of Wm. M. Robertson, this city; buried city cemetery
- Robertson, Emma (née Mays), 16 October 1894, p. 3, col. 3; died 9 October 1894; born 3 February 1851, LaGrange, Tex.; married at Summerville, Tenn., on 20 December 1878; had three children, all deceased; leaves one brother and two sisters in Tenn.
- Bussey, James B., 23 October 1894, p. 3, col. 3; died Tuesday at his home in this city; only son of Jos. F. Bussey; also leaves wife; member of K. of H. and K. of P.
- Stanley, W. F. (Uncle Fount), 23 October 1894, p. 3, col. 4; died Wednesday at residence of Mr. Z. T. Wood; age 81; leaves aged widow, children, and grandchildren; buried New Cemetery
- Thompson, Woodville E., 23 October 1894, p. 3, col. 4-5; Memorial; charter member of Knight of Honor Lodge No. 1290
- Bussey, James B., 30 October 1894, p. 3, col. 6-7; Resolutions of Respect, James A. Jackson Lodge No. 13, K. of P.
- Carter, Martin, 30 October 1894, p. 3, col. 5; living near Tiffin Prairie, committed suicide Sunday of last week

- Prewitt, Lovick, 30 October 1894, p. 3, col. 5; died Monday of last week at home in Florence, Drew County
- Egleston, J. F., 6 November 1894, p. 3, col. 3; possible suicide at the Gaster House; agent for Singer Sewing Machine Co.; leaves mother and sister in Richmond, Virginia
- Stanley, W. F., 6 November 1894, p. 2, col. 4; Tribute of Respect: Eureka Lodge No. 40, F. and A. M.
- Dade, Bony, 27 November 1894, p. 3, col. 5; shot and killed by brother-in-law at Parkdale last week
- Hillman, Hattie, 27 November 1894, p. 3, col. 3; died 15 November 1894 near Lacy; father Mr. J. A. Hillman
- Jackson, Mary, 27 November 1894, p. 3, col. 5; died 23 October 1894 at Union Ridge, age 82
- Meredith, Hank, 27 November 1894, p. 3, col. 6; killed last year by Claude Moss at Long Prairie
- Moss, Claude, 27 November 1894, p. 3, col. 6; killed November 1894 by Marshall B. H. Chatham of Carrollton, Mississippi
- Bird, Kirby, 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 5; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; L. E. Morgan, Administrator
- Boyd, C. M., 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 4–5, Probate Court Proceedings, October term; Mrs. E. E. Boyd, Administratrix
- Brown, A. C., 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 5; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; wife Mrs. H. J. Brown; estate less than \$300
- Caldwell, Drew, 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 5; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; J. G. Williamson, Administrator, prays dismissal.
- Cohn, Richard, 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 4–5; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; J. G. Williamson, Administrator
- Daniel, Drew, 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 4; Probate Court Proceedings, October term
- Ford, W. D., 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 6; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; W. T. Wells, Executor

- Gaster, John, 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 6; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; R. F. Hyatt, guardian of minor heirs
- Hudspeth, C. F., 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 4,6; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; T. H. Matthews, Administrator
- Lassiter, Marion, 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 6; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; W. E. Lassiter, Administrator
- Lee, Mrs. M. E., 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 5; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; C. F. McManus, Administrator
- Lewis, T. N., 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 4-5; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; J. E. Farley, Administrator
- Roper, H., 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 4; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; sales bill, appraisal, inventory
- Nelson, W. A., 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 6; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; W. N. Morris, Administrator
- Philips, William L., 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 5; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; last will and testament
- Tiffin, Martha A., 4 Dec. 1894, p. 2, col. 4; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; last will and testament
- Withers, Frank, 4 December 1894, p. 2, col. 4; Probate Court Proceedings, October term; J. G. Williamson, Administrator
- Cole, W. Ed., 18 December 1894, p. 3, col. 6; died 12 December 1894 at New Orleans; son of old townsman Dr. S. E. Cole spent his childhood here
- Cole, M. O., 8 January 1895, p. 3, col. 5; died 29 December 1894 this city; widow of the late Dr. S. E. Cole; leaves two daughters
- Johnson, O. S., 8 January 1895, p. 3, col. 5; died of dropsy at his home on Long Prairie last week
- Rogers, Eli, 22 January 1895, p. 2, col. 6; Commissioner's Sale of real estate
- Styron, Stanley, 5 February 1895, p. 2, col. 5, and p. 3, col. 5, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Styron of this city; interred in the New Cemetery

- Brockman, 12 February 1895, p. 2, col. 5; burned to death Saturday, age 4; daughter of Mr. C. Brockman of Florence
- Marshall, Grandma, 12 February 1895, p. 2, col. 5; died 2 February 1895 at Pine Bluff; buried at Old Mt. Tabor on the 5th
- Hendley, Mrs. Mary L., 19 February 1895, p. 3, col. 5; died at Pine Bluff; interment at the New Cemetery, this city; eldest sister of Mr. C. L. Burks of this city
- Roddy, Geddings, 19 February 1895, p. 3, col. 6; died this morning
- Thompson, John, 5 March 1895, p. 2, col. 6; killed by A. D. Holmes near Tillar last Tuesday, 26 February 1895
- Chavirs, Louisa, 12 March 1895, p. 3, col. 6; born 1793; died at home near Lacy
- Tardy, Dr. A. B., 12 March 1895, p. 3, col. 5; at his home near Pine Bluff, in Grant Co. [*sic*]; practiced medicine many years here
- Tardy, Dr. Alec B., 19 March 1895, p. 2, col. 6; died 9 March 1895, age 69; had home in Jefferson Co.; born near Tuscaloosa, Ala.; m. (1) Miss Mays; (2) Miss Estis; (3) Miss Vaughan; eleven children, ten named
- Duke, Francis, 2 April 1895, p. 3, col. 4; died 30 March 1895; of Baxter; son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Duke
- Duke, David Francis, 2 April 1895, p. 3, col. 5; died 30 March 1895; born 30 September 1892; In Memoriam by "Grandpapa"
- Lee, A. P., 14 May 1895, p. 3, col. 6; Administrator's Sale, J. G. Williamson, Administrator
- Wadsworth, Mrs., 14 May 1895, p. 3, col. 5; mother of N. Y. Wadsworth died at her home in Montgomery, Ala.
- Wadsworth, 21 May 1895, p. 3, col. 5; died a week ago; youngest child of Hon. and Mrs. N. Y. Wadsworth
- Koonce, Robbie, 18 June 1895, p. 3, col. 3; infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Koonce died this city at 10 o'clock Thursday morn, 13 June 1895; buried New Cemetery Friday morning

- Cornish, Joseph, 25 June 1895, p. 2, col. 5; infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cornish of Little Rock died at residence of Mr. P. E. Lambert, this city; buried Little Rock, Friday
- Knox, Calvin, 25 June 1895, p. 2, col. 5; infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Knox died of congestion at residence on N. Main St.; interred at New Cemetery on Wednesday
- Owens, Capt. Thos. W., 25 June 1895, p. 2, col. 5; died of consumption at residence of A. H. Owens three miles north of city; buried in family burying ground Wednesday
- Hammock, Abe, 9 July 1895, p. 2, col. 4; age about 81; died last Tuesday evening 2 July 1895 at residence of Hon. J. H. Hammock, this city; buried Wednesday at Landingham burial ground eleven miles north of Monticello
- Matthews, Mrs. Lonnie A., 9 July 1895, p. 2, col. 4; died 30 June 1895 age 33 years 10 months 17 days; wife of T. H. Matthews of Monticello; married September 1881; mother of five; leaves three children; Presbyterian
- Tomlin, W. I., 30 July 1895, p. 3, col. 7; Administrator's Sale of Real Estate; L. W. Wilson, Administrator
- Hamby, T. J., 6 August 1895, p. 3, col. 5; cut to death by Henry Hollinger, near Prairie Grove
- Roane, Walter Oslin, 13 August 1895, p. 3, col. 5; died 21 July 1895; six months old; son of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Roane of Barkada
- Matthews, Mrs. Edmonds, 20 August 1895, p. 3, col. 4; died Sunday, 18 August 1895; mother of T. H. Matthews; leaves two sons and one daughter; buried New Cemetery Monday
- Bishop, Verta, 27 August 1895, p. 3, col. 4; died 25 August 1895; age 6; daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bishop of this city
- Dunn, Newman, 27 August 1895, p. 3, col. 4; died 21 August 1895; young son of Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Dunn of this city; buried New Cemetery on Friday the 23rd
- Allen, Dr. John Wilson, 3 September 1895, p. 3, col. 5-6; died 29 August 1895 at residence of Mrs. C. F. Hudspeth in this city; brother to A. N., Wm., S. A., and Dr. J. A. Allen

- Henry, W. L., 3 September 1895, p. 3, col. 7; Guardian's Sale of Real Estate; B. A. Henry, Guardian
- Castleberry, 24 September 1895, p. 3, col. 5; little son of Mr. and Mrs. William Castleberry died at residence of Mr. J. H. Blythe last Sunday
- Chesnutt, Melva, 24 September 1895, p. 3, col. 6; died 17 September 1895; card of thanks from Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Chesnutt
- Rice, Tommie Orlean, 24 September 1895, p. 2, col. 3; died 7 September 1895; born 1 May 1895; daughter of T. A. and F. O. Rice
- Blanks, Verlie, 1 October 1895, p. 3, col. 5; daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Blanks
- Matthews, Thomas E., 1 October 1895, p. 3, col. 5; infant son of T. H. Matthews died 14 September 1895; buried in New Cemetery
- Johnson, Odelle, 8 October 1895, p. 3, col. 5; little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Johnson died and buried 7 October 1895 in this city
- Brown, Mary C., 15 October 1895, p. 2, col. 4; died 12 October 1895; wife of Dr. W. A. Brown of this city; buried in New Cemetery
- Christian, Jimmie May, 15 October 1895, p. 2, col. 4; died 5 October 1895; born 5 May 1893; daughter of J. W. and Annie Christian
- Brown, Mary C., 22 October 1895, p. 3, col. 7; died 12 October 1895; wife of Dr. W. A. Brown; buried at New Cemetery Sunday
- Burks, Mary Anna, 22 October 1895, p. 3, col. 7; died 10 October 1895; wife of C. L. Burks of this city
- Walker, Jim, 22 October 1895, p. 3, col. 4; died 16 October 1895; shot at Wilmar by Will Threadgill on the 14th
- Burks, Mary A., 29 October 1895, p. 3, col. 7; Selected in Memory of Mrs. Mary A. Burks
- Mark, Mary Ethel, 29 October 1895, p. 3, col. 6; died 14 October 1895; born 2 February 1895; infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Mark of Barkada
- Brown, Mary C., 5 November 1895, p. 3, col. 5-6; Resolutions of Respect

- Brown, Jennie, 19 November 1895, p. 3, col. 4; died 9 November 1895; age 20; wife of J. D. Brown; married about two years
- Oliver, Jas., 19 November 1895, p. 3, col. 4; died 12 November 1895 at Collins; buried at Rogers Cemetery on the 13th
- Isbell, Mrs. R. S., 26 November 1895, p. 3, col. 7; at Columbia, La.; buried 13 November; aunt-stepmother of Mrs. W. G. Hendrick of this city
- Lassiter, Joe, 26 November 1895, p. 3, col. 6; accidentally shot himself; died Sunday, 24 November; buried yesterday
- Glover, Bill, 3 December 1895, p. 3, col. 5; killed at Dermott by Isom Hess
- Spencer, Candus, 3 December 1895, p. 2, col. 5; Legal Advertisement Notice; L. E. Morgan, Administrator
- Woodward, W. C., 3 December 1895, p. 2, col. 4; died 14 November 1895; born 7 November 1828 near Winnsboro, So. Car.; married Mrs. Mary C. Cameron in July 1879; died at home at Plantersville
- Glover, Bill, 10 December 1895, p. 3, col. 3; killed by Isom Hess at Dermott
- Lambert, Jno. M., 10 December 1895, p. 3, col. 5-6; Resolutions of Respect by Monticello Lodge No. 1290, K. of H.; died at his home in Drew County; leaves wife and children
- Thurman, Amanda, 10 December 1895, p. 3, col. 4; wife of John N. Thurman died at home in Wilmar 11 November 1895; age 47; leaves husband, son, mother; member of Woodlawn Baptist church
- Yates, W. H., 17 December 1895, p. 3, col. 4; died 13 December 1895 on way back home from town Friday last week; resided near Mt. Tabor, this county
- Carpenter, Ruius, 21 December 1895, p. 4, col. 4; died at Scipio Thursday; got caught in J. M. Howell's gin; was son of Owens Carpenter
- Binns, 31 December 1895; three year old child of Polly Binns burned to death Saturday; [in booklet filmed following 5 January 1897 issue]

- Broadenax, Sterling, 31 December 1895; shot and killed by Wallace Bland, a prominent Negro, over Bland's wife; at Baxter 25 December 1895; [in booklet filmed following 5 January 1897 issue]
- Nubles, Bob, 31 December 1895; shot and killed by George Richardson 26 December 1895; [in booklet filmed following 5 January 1897 issue]
- Dyer, Lena, 7 January 1896, p. 3, col. 4-5; died at grandmother's house on S. Main
- Fox, 7 January 1896, p. 3, col. 5; died 3 January 1896; infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carson Fox died Friday; interred in New Cemetery Saturday
- Lowry, Jim, 7 January 1896, p. 3, col. 6; killed at Wilmar by Bob Carter
- King, Sallie A., 14 January 1896, p. 3, col. 5; died 7 January 1896; wife of the late John P. King died at Pine Bluff; leaves two sons and a daughter
- Gabbert, Mrs. M. J., 21 January 1896, p. 3, col. 5 & 7; died Saturday, 17 January 1896; buried New Cemetery; wife of late Dr. Fayette Gabbert; leaves five daughters and two sons
- Campster, Eliza, 28 January 1896, p. 3, col. 5; wife of F. M. Campster of Collins
- Funderburk, Samantha, 28 January 1896, p. 3, col. 5; wife of J. Funderburk of Paradise
- Dyer, Lena, 11 February 1896, p. 2, col. 3; died 1 January 1896; Resolutions of Respect by Baptist Sabbath School
- Gabbert, Mary Jone, 11 February 1896, p. 2, col. 2-3; died 17 January 1896; In Memoriam; widow of Dr. LaFayette Gabbert of Monticello; daughter of Stephen and Mary Spratt McCorkle; born York County, South Carolina; had two sons and seven daughters; moved to Holly Springs, Mississippi, when young; married Dr. Gabbert 1859 and moved to Monticello
- Hudspeth, Mrs. E. A., 18 February 1896, p. 2, col. 5; died Monday 27 January 1896 of consumption, age 47; buried at Ozona, Tex., cemetery the following Wednesday morning; left husband and

children Lee of Chicago, Street of Mexico, Roy, Mary and the writer; copied from Ozona (Tex.) Courier

Wright, Willie, 18 February 1896, p. 2, col. 3; son of A. J. Wright of near Wilmar burned to death 7 February 1896

Nubles, Bob, 17 March 1896, p. 3, col. 7; killed by George Richardson during Christmas Holidays

Bolton, Robert, 24 March 1896, p. 3, col. 7; Warning Order; heirs of Robert Bolton

Pope, Gordon, 14 April 1896, p. 3, col. 4; little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Pope died of measles in this city on Saturday

Stanley, Jane H., 14 April 1896, p. 3, col. 5-6; died 7 April 1896; buried in New Cemetery on Wednesday; widow of Fount Stanley; mother of Mrs. Z. T. Wood and Mrs. W. C. Rice

Pope, Gordon, 21 April 1896, p. 2, col. 6; In Memoriam; child of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Pope

Burks, George W., 5 May 1896, p. 3, col. 5; died last Friday of heart disease; buried Green Hill Cemetery on Saturday; prominent farmer of Manoah; leaves wife and six children

Maloney, Sarah J., 5 May 1896, p. 3, col. 5; "Mortuary," wife of J. H. Maloney died 1 July 1896; buried New Cemetery Sunday; leaves son

McLauchlan, Rev. John, 5 May 1896, p. 3, col. 6; "Mortuary," died at Arkadelphia within the week; serving 2nd term at M. E. Church here

Toney, W. L., 5 May 1896, p. 2, col. 4; killed at Collins last week by W. P. Burns

Green, Mr. D. M., 19 May 1896, p. 3, col. 7; died 12 May 1896 at residence of daughter Mrs. E. P. Cavaness; buried the 14<sup>th</sup> in family burial grounds at Montongo

Millerd, C. W., 26 May 1896, p. 3, col. 7; died 14 May 1896 in Ashley County; buried near Hamburg with Masonic honors

- McCain, Albert G., 9 June 1896, p. 2, col. 4; age 43, died 29 May 1896 at Jennings, Okla.; son of Geo. A. McCain; had been a citizen of this county; left wife and child
- Burks, George W., 16 June 1896, p. 3, col. 4; Resolutions of Respect by Green Hill Sunday School signed: Mrs. G. B. Ragland, Mrs. F. Hobbs, Miss Eunice Lambert, Miss Mattie Adcock
- Brown, Hoke, 23 June 1896, p. 3, col. 5; died 16 June 1896; infant son of Dr. W. A. Brown buried New Cemetery on the 17<sup>th</sup> by Rev. B. Allen Mosely
- Kimple, Ben, 23 June 1896, p. 3, col. 3; died 12 June 1896 from overdose of morphine; of Dermott
- Wilson, Mrs. Walter, 23 June 1896, p. 3, col. 5; died 16 June 1896; leaves infant son and husband; buried in the Rough and Ready cemetery Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> by Rev. W. W. Gardner
- Young, W. W., 23 June 1896, p. 3, col. 6; died Sunday night 21 June 1896 of typhoid fever at residence of Mr. D. A. Trammell; buried Rough and Ready cemetery Monday; came here from Texas in January
- Roper, H., 30 June 1896, p. 3, col. 6; Legal Advertisements, Notice; W. H. Roper, Administrator
- Holland, J. Pink, 7 July 1896, p. 3, col. 6; little son of J. P. and M. M. Holland died 25 June 1896, age three years and twenty-two days
- Speers, 7 July 1896, p. 3, col. 6; little child of George Speer of Mt. Tabor buried in Mt. Tabor cemetery Sunday
- Watson, John L., 7 July 1896, p. 3, col. 6; burial took place on 2nd inst. at the New Cemetery
- Green, D. P., 28 July 1896, p. 2, col. 7; killed 20 July 1896 by William Oliver at Old Troy
- Duke, Ned, 28 July 1896, p. 3, col. 4; died 23 July 1896; only son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. T. Duke of Baxter
- Thompson, Mrs. (Dr.) W. T., 28 July 1897, p. 2, col. 4; Jeff Thomson and his mother went to Warren last week to attend her funeral

- Allen, Mr. A. N., 4 August 1896, p. 2, col. 3; age 72, died at residence of Mrs. Ida Hudspeth, this city; buried Wednesday at the New Cemetery; oldest of five brothers
- Duke, Charles Edward, 4 August 1896, p. 3, col. 2
- Erwin, J. V. Jr, 4 August 1896, p. 2, col. 3; died 28 July 1896 of congestion; only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Erwin; buried at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Wednesday
- Lancaster, W. P., 4 August 1896, p. 2, col. 3; died 26 July 1896 at Brownwood, Tex.; brother of Hon. W. H. Lancaster of Lexington, Tenn.
- Duke, Charles Edward (Ned), 11 August 1896, p. 3, col. 6; died 23 July 1896 at Baxter; "A Tribute:" mentions Little Frances and Martha
- Roper, H., 11 August 1896, p. 3, col. 7; Administrator's Sale of Real Estate; W. H. Roper, Administrator
- Cochran, W. W., 18 August 1896, p. 3, col. 4; killed 9 August 1896 at Berea in Ashley County by whirlwind
- Heflin, Mitchell, 18 August 1896, p. 3, col. 7; Legal Advertisements, Warning order to Unknown Heirs by Geo. E. B. Veasey, Plaintiff
- Landfair, R. C., 18 August 1896, p. 3, col. 7; Legal Advertisements, Warning order to Unknown Heirs by Geo. E. B. Veasey, Plaintiff
- Maxwell, Mrs. W. B., 18 August 1896, p. 3, col. 4; died 7 August 1896 five miles southwest of this place; buried at Rough and Ready Cemetery on Saturday the 8th
- Allen, 1 September 1896, p. 3, col. 4; infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Allen died last week
- Holmes, Thomas Tillar, 1 September 1896, p. 2, col. 3; died 21 August 1896 at Selma, Drew County; age 18; born 6 September 1878 at Walnut Lake, Desha County; only son of Mr. Nathaniel and Mrs. Flora V. Holmes, grandson of Maj. J. T. W. Tillar
- Moseley, Rev. B. Allen, 1 September 1896, p. 3, col. 5; born 1830 in Missouri; went to gold rush in '49; resided here only a few years; died at residence of Mr. Z. J. Wood this city last Saturday [29 August]; buried New Cemetery on Sunday by Rev. S. C. Alexander, D.D.

- Lambert, Eunice, 8 September 1896, p. 2, col. 6-7; died 30 June 1896; born 8 December 1872; daughter of Mr. M. Lambert; joined M. E. Church, South in 1891
- Moseley, Rev. B. Allen, 8 September 1896, p. 3, col. 4; Thank You: mentions Mrs. R. V. Moseley and daughter Miss Bertha
- Farish, Dr. R. S., 15 September 1896, p. 3, col. 5; died 10 Sep 1896 at home near Mt. Tabor; leaves a wife
- McNeeley, Wm., 15 September 1896, p. 3, col. 5; killed by lightning while walking on rail road last Friday; worked at Gates Lumber Co. at Wilmar
- Freeman, Mrs. Wm., 29 September 1896, p. 3, col. 5; died 26 September 1896 at Mt. Tabor of slow fever; buried at Mt. Tabor Cemetery on 27th; leaves husband and five children
- Hanby, 29 September 1896, p. 3, col. 6; Hollenger convicted; killed Hanby on Long Prairie two years ago.
- House, Miss Mattie, 29 September 1896, p. 3, col. 5; daughter of Mr. J. D. House near Luella
- Nubles, Bob, 29 September 1896, p. 3, col. 6; Geo. Richardson sentenced to three years for manslaughter in shooting and killing of Bob Nubles last Christmas
- Skipper, W. F., 29 September 1896, p. 2, col. 5-6; died 13 May 1896; Jim Redd and Alex Johnson will hang for murder of W. F. Skipper
- Ragland, Toliver, 6 October 1896, p. 1, col. 6; killed near Green Hill
- Raymond, B. G., 6 October 1896, p. 3, col. 4; died 24 September 1896 at Little Rock; age sixty-nine; former resident of this place; three children: R. F. Raymond and Mrs. T. B. Fisher of Little Rock, and Mrs. J. N. Preddy of this city
- Skipper, W. F., 6 October 1896, p. 2, col. 4-6; killed at Baxter in May 1896; Jim Redd and Alex Johnson will hang 27 November for murder of W. F. Skipper
- Stuart, Jimmie, 6 October 1896, p. 3, col. 4; little boy died Wednesday at Collins, Ark., while playing on work bench

Harris, A. E., 13 October 1896, p. 3, col. 3; Mrs. Delia Harris widow of A. E. Harris married Frank H. Scott; will live in St. Louis

Rash, A. J., 27 October 1896, p. 3, col. 4; died 21 October 1896; old and respected citizen interred with Masonic honors on the 22nd

Yates, John, 27 October 1896, p. 3, col. 4; died 25 October 1896 of slow fever at his home near Florence; interment yesterday

Simpson, Minnie, 10 November 1896, p. 3, col. 5; eldest daughter of Mrs. N. E. Simpson of Fountain Hill died on Friday night last, age about eighteen; left brothers and sisters

Tucker, Pink, 10 November 1896, p. 3, col. 6; killed by lightning last Wednesday; constable of Spring Hill Township

Farish, Dr. R. S., 24 November 1896, p. 3, col. 7; Notice of Application for Order to Sell Lands; D. C. Burford, Administrator

Cunningham, 24 November 1896, p. 3, col. 5; little son of Tom Cunningham of the White Barber Shop died last week

Stitt, 8 December 1896, p. 3, col. 7; little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Watt Stitt was burned to death last Friday

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## THE WILLIAM AND DICEY ENNIS LEE FAMILY OF LOGAN COUNTY, ARKANSAS

*Bill Hanks*

Many Logan County people are descended from my third great-grandparents William Lee and Dicey Ennis. I descend from them through my maternal grandmother Elsie Coleman White (Mrs. A. B.). When I was ten years old my grandmother was sixty-two years old. She had been reared by her paternal grandmother and an uncle. She was a very intelligent lady with an excellent memory, so while she had no family history on paper, she had a great deal of it in her head. She talked extensively about her family and told me many things that she made very interesting for me.

Elsie was a daughter of William Samuel Coleman and Dicey Elizabeth Lee. Dicey Elizabeth was a daughter of Lovett Lee and Amanda James. Lovett Lee was a son of William Lee and Dicey Ennis. In 1858 in Johnson County, Arkansas, William and Dicey Lee executed a deed in which they sold to her brother her share of her father Redmon Ennis' land in Cumberland County, North Carolina.<sup>1</sup>

In 1979 I corresponded with a Lee descendant named Dr. Luby F. Royall who had spent forty years researching the records of Johnston County, North Carolina, for documentary evidence of the Lee family. He was familiar with their land records and was able to tell me how my William Lee fit into the family. His work is unpublished but deposited at the library in Smithfield, North Carolina.

According to Dr. Luby's studies, William Lee (1793-1863), the husband of Dicey Ennis, was from Johnston County, North Carolina, and was the son of Lemuel Lee (1753-1841) and his wife whose maiden name was Rains. Lemuel was the son of Edward Lee, whose will was proved in 1775. Edward Lee was the son of John Lee, Esq., whose will was proved in 1768.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Johnson County, Arkansas, Deed Book H: 338, County Clerk's office, Clarksville, Arkansas; Family History Library [hereafter FHL] microfilm 1027677.

<sup>2</sup> Dr. Luby F. Royall Jr., *The Lees of Johnston County*, bound but unpublished manuscript, Public Library of Johnston County and Smithfield, Smithfield, North Carolina; another copy is held by the Johnston County Heritage Center in Smithfield.

John Lee, Esquire, was living in Nansemond County [now Suffolk], Virginia, in 1728 when the line was run between Virginia and North Carolina, splitting his plantation between the two colonies. He sold his land about 1740 and moved to Craven County, North Carolina, settling in the part which became Johnston County in 1746. He received land grants on Mill Creek that were passed on to his children by deed and will. John Lee's will names his wife Mary. Their children were Robert Lee who married Elizabeth; Edward Lee who married Mary [our ancestor]; John Lee, Jr., who married Elizabeth [Cader Lee (1771-1855) of Johnson County, Arkansas, was son of this couple]; Thomas Lee who married Mary; Fredrick Lee who married Susannah; Elizabeth Lee who married an Ingram; Mary Lee who married a Ballinger; and Sabra Lee who married a Green.<sup>3</sup>

John Lee's son Edward Lee and his wife Mary had ten children: William, Lemuel [our ancestor], John, James, Stephen, Jeremiah, Edward, Ann, Edith, and Tabitha.

Lemuel Lee and his wife, née Rains, had seven children: Henry Lee who married Sallie Coats; John Lee; Kader Lee who married Pheraby Lee, daughter of Peter Lee of Sampson County, North Carolina; William Lee who married Dicey Ennis; Jerry Lee who married Sarah Murphey; Alfred Rains Lee who married Sally West; and Thomas Lee who died young. Of these children, John, William, and Jerry lived in Clark Township, Johnson (now Logan) County, Arkansas.

In the 1850s Alfred Rains Lee moved to Missouri. His son Dr. Elbert Johnson Lee of St. Louis, born about 1844, wrote the following family record for his sons:

*Lemuel Lee was my grandfather, of the Virginia Lees, a close relative of Light Horse Harry Lee; his wife was of a noted family, her maiden name was Rains. My father's brothers were William, Jerry, Henry, John, Kader, and Thomas. Thomas died when a young man. My father's brothers, all but Kader and Henry, went west in an early day, I think in the eighteen forties, some of them earlier. They settled in Johnson County, Arkansas, about fifty miles from Little Rock. Sidney Smith Lee, a brother of Gen. Robert E. Lee, has visited at our home since I can remember. My grandfather was a wealthy slave owner, and had a many quarter*

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<sup>3</sup> Royall, *The Lees of Johnston County*, Smithfield Library, North Carolina.

*plantation. My uncles were well to do and took Negroes with them to Arkansas. This I learned from my father and mother.*

Lemuel Lee was born 5 March 1753 and served in the Revolutionary War in North Carolina. He applied for a pension 10 September 1834, saying he enlisted in 1776 as a private in John Whitley's Company, Light Horse or State Troops, stationed in Dobbs County, North Carolina. He took part in a skirmish with the British at Trent River and served until peace was declared. He said that John Lee Sr. and Dixon Fail had served in the same unit with him. He stated that he had never lived over eight or ten miles from where he was born. The pension application includes affidavits from the Baptist Rev. Jesse Adams and William Bryan of Johnston County, North Carolina.<sup>4</sup>

Lemuel's son William and his wife Dicey were living in Hardeman County, Tennessee, in 1830.<sup>5</sup> Their household contained two males under five, two males age five to under ten, one male age thirty to under forty, three females under five, one female age five to under ten, and one female age thirty to under forty. During the following decade the family migrated to Arkansas and by 1840 resided in Spadra Township of Johnson County, Arkansas.<sup>6</sup> In 1850, only Daniel R. Lee remained in Spadra Township,<sup>7</sup> while William Lee and his other children were living close together south of the Arkansas River in Clark Township, which is now in Logan County.<sup>8</sup>

William and Dicey Lee's known children were: Daniel R., (1820-1895); Britton (1822-1895); Tranquilla (abt. 1824-abt. 1853), wife of Daniel Smith; Lovett (1824-1864); Winaford (1825-1891), wife of James Cravens; Elizabeth (1827-1917), wife of Ephraim Copeland; Mary (1830-1866), wife of John A. Johnson; William I. (1832-1859); John C.,

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<sup>4</sup> Lemuel Lee, Revolutionary War Pension Application R6253, National Archives [hereafter NA] microfilm M805, roll 520.

<sup>5</sup> William Lee household, 1830 U.S. census, Hardeman County, Tennessee, p. 366, line 10; NA microfilm M19, roll 176.

<sup>6</sup> William Lee household, 1840 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, Spadra township, p. 242, line 2, NA microfilm M704, roll 18.

<sup>7</sup> Daniel R. Lee household, 1850 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, Spadra township, p. 157, dwelling and family 36; NA microfilm M432, roll 27.

<sup>8</sup> William Lee household, 1850 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, Clark township, p. 126, dwelling and family 48; William and Dicey's son Britton was in dwelling 45; daughter Anguilla and son-in-law Daniel Smith in dwelling 46; daughter Winaford and son-in-law James Cravens in household 44; son Lovett on p. 125 in dwelling 37; NA microfilm M432, roll 27.

born 1835, died before 1866; and James Henry (1836-1915). The first five children were born in North Carolina; the next four in Tennessee; and the last in Mississippi. The family history published in the Goodspeed Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Western Arkansas puts the number of William and Dicey's children at eleven. It is possible they had a son named Samuel H. who died at a young age in the 1830s. This would account for the additional male child aged under five in their 1830 household.

Unfortunately two errors have been published about this Lee family and it is my desire to correct them here. One error indicates that William and Dicey's son William I. Lee married more than two years after he had died.<sup>9</sup> There is a marriage record of a William Lee to a Lucy Titsworth on 19 September 1861 in Franklin County.<sup>10</sup> But that William Lee was not the son of William and Dicey Ennis Lee. Their son William I. Lee died 26 March 1859.<sup>11</sup> His wife had preceded him in death by a few months. At the time of the 1860 census William I. Lee's son Thomas L. Lee was residing in the household of his grandparents William and Dicey Lee.<sup>12</sup>

Another published error names Susan Thompson, wife of Nicholas Thompson, as a daughter of William and Dicey Ennis Lee.<sup>13</sup> While Susan's maiden name was Lee, she was not a daughter of William and Dicey. Perhaps that misunderstanding arose because Mrs. Thompson's daughter married a son of Daniel and Tranquilla Lee Smith, thus giving Mrs. Thompson grandchildren who were also grandchildren of William and Dicey.

Anyone interested in this family and their descendants may contact me at 1217 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Little Rock, AR 72201-1903. I am trying to find a photograph of William and Dicey Lee and their son Lovett Lee.

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<sup>9</sup> Logan County Historical Society, *Wagon Wheels*, Fall/Winter 2001, vol. 21, no. 2, p. 17.

<sup>10</sup> Franklin County, Arkansas, Marriage Record Book 1850-1861: 275; FHL microfilm 1034243.

<sup>11</sup> Johnson County, Arkansas, Probate Court Record Book D: 395; FHL microfilm 1027113.

<sup>12</sup> William S. Lee household, 1860 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, Clark township, p. 955, dwelling 210, family 211; NA microfilm M653, roll 44.

<sup>13</sup> Logan County Historical Society, *Wagon Wheels*, Fall/Winter 2001, vol. 21, no. 2, pp. 17 and 21.

## MARTHA HENDRIX OF MONTGOMERY AND POLK COUNTIES, ARKANSAS

### PRIVATIONS OF A SOLDIER'S WIDOW

*By Mrs. M. M. Hendrix, of Big Fork*

*Transcribed and submitted by Carolyn Earle Billingsley, Ph.D.*

My husband Benjamin Franklin Hendrix entered the Southern army in the beginning of the war, joining Captain Edwin's company, Fourth Arkansas infantry, in June, 1861. He was killed in battle December 15, 1863, leaving me with four little children, to live the hard life of many a Confederate widow. My oldest child, George Washington, was seven years old; the next, Samuel Enoch, was five; the third was Benjamin Franklin, three years old, and the youngest, Sarah Elizabeth, was only ten months old.

I felt all these things the more because I was an adopted citizen of Arkansas. My native home was in Pickens county, South Carolina, where I was born October 17, 1832. My parents moved to Cherokee county, Ga., when I was about one year old. At the age of 12, I came with my parents to Montgomery county, Arkansas, and September 4, 1852, married Benjamin F. Hendrix, who was the same age as myself, 22 years.

#### FEDERAL RAIDERS TOOK EVERYTHING.

With four little ones to provide for, I found life a hard problem. Many times when night came and I lay down, I could not sleep on account of my destitute condition, and being forced to see my children suffer from cold and hunger without power or prospect of helping them. I could have managed to live fairly well, as I could work in the field and chop wood and I had some provisions laid by and the house was comfortably furnished, but federal soldiers came and robbed me of everything, not leaving a mouthful at times for myself and little ones.

They were frequently brutal and once when I seemed slow about cooking something for them, they began cursing and pointed a gun at me, so that I was terribly frightened. But God was good to me in keeping me in a Christian spirit, and I succeeded in raising all my children. My son, G. W. Hendrix, lives at Black Springs, Ark.; Samuel E. Hendrix, lives at Ultimathule, Ark.; B. F. Hendrix lives at Maxwell, I. T., and my

daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, lives at Big Fork, Ark., and is happily married to Mr. Liles.

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Transcribed from *Confederate Women of Arkansas in the Civil War, 1861-'65: Memorial Reminiscences*, published by The United Confederate Veterans of Arkansas (Little Rock, Ark.: H. G. Pugh Ptg. Co, November 1907), pp. 27–28.

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Some notes on Benjamin F. and Martha M. Hendrix/Hendricks  
Researched by Carolyn Earle Billingsley.

Ancestry.com, Source Citation: Year: 1850; Census Place: Caddo Township, Montgomery County, Arkansas; Roll: M432\_28; Page: 404; Image: 188, dwelling 45, 29 October 1850. Benjamin F. Hendricks is indexed in Ancestry as “Fendricks.” Head of household Samuel (born S.C.) with (probably) his wife Abigail (born Tennessee); six children including Benj. F., age 19, born in Alabama.

Ancestry.com, Source Citation: Year: 1860; Census Place: Caddo Township, Montgomery County, Arkansas; Roll: M653\_46; Page: 882; Image: 358, Dwelling 260, 12 July 1860. Benj. Hendrix, age 28, born S.C.; Martha, age 27, born Georgia [sic]; George W., age 5, born Arkansas; and Samuel, age 2, born Arkansas. Benjamin had no real estate value; his personal estate was valued at \$1000.

Big Fork was a post office in Montgomery County, established in 1854, but in 1860 was located in Pope County. It was named for Big Fork Creek. Source: Russell Pierce Baker, *From Memdag to Norsk: A Historical Directory of Arkansas Post Offices: 1832–1971* (Hot Springs, Ark.: Arkansas Genealogical Society, 1988), p. 20.

A cursory search of the index at Ancestry.com did not find this family in 1870. It’s possible that Martha M. Hendrix had remarried by this time and perhaps the family was listed under the name of the new husband.

On the other hand, the 1870 census is notorious for missing families and for misspellings of names. A more thorough search might yield results.

Ancestry.com, Source Information: United States National Archives. *Civil War Service Records* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 1999. Box: 376; Extraction: 11; Record: 640. A man named Benjamin F. Hendrix served as a private in the Confederacy in Company I, 33<sup>rd</sup> Arkansas Infantry, but it's not known if this is the same person.

According to Desmond Walls Allen, *Index to Arkansas Confederate Pension Applications* (Conway, Ark.: Arkansas Research, 1991), p. 146: Martha Hendricks, widow of B. F. Hendricks (who served in the 4<sup>th</sup> Arkansas Volunteers), applied for a Confederate pension in Polk County in 1892, stating her husband died in 1863. But there is also listed a Mrs. M. M. Hendrix, widow of B. F. Hendrix (who served in the 4<sup>th</sup> Arkansas Infantry, Capt. Irvens' [*sic*] Company), who applied for a pension in Polk County in 1902, stating her husband died 15 December 1863. It's likely that both of these applications are from the same woman at different times. (The Arkansas History Commission has these applications and will provide a copy of the full application for a fee.)

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## THE BAPTISMAL RECORD OF MARIE LOUISE JARDELA

*Translated by Susan Boyle*

The following extract is part of the Refeld Collection at the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives.<sup>1</sup> It is on a small (5 X 7) sheet of very old, but good quality, paper, slightly yellowing, written all in French and all in the same hand, with a note of conclusion at the bottom of the main page. On the reverse side are two notes: one, descriptive, is written vertically and the other, a disclaimer, is written across the top. While this is a translation, an effort has been made not only to maintain the meaning of the original, but also to adhere to the physical placement of the lines and words. However, the very small handwriting on the original has prevented us from maintaining the exact placement of words in the longer lines.

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Extract of the register of baptisms, marriages and burials made in Arkansas, extracted the year 1793.

The year 1772 the 19 April,  
 Brother Valentin Capucin, curé of the parish of St. Louis of the  
 illinois undersigned, has baptized with the usual ceremony  
 of the church, Marie-Louise, daughter of Pierre jardela and  
 of Marie Languedoc.

The godfather has been the Sir pierre joseph Favrot, and the  
 godmother has been Marie-louise Landronis, who not trying  
 to write has made her usual mark: mark of the godmother +  
 Here is the signature of joseph Favrot: joseph favrot  
 in order to make the copy conform to the original.

I undersigned missionary priest  
 above is just and truthful;  
 in [—] of which I have signed the year 1793.

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<sup>1</sup> Refeld Family Papers, Supplement 1, Box 2, Folder 1, Legal Documents, 1793, 1810; Arkansas History Commission and State Archives, Little Rock, Arkansas.

[Note at bottom:] Therefore marie-Louise jardela, widow Larquet is aged a little more than 75 years, since she would not have been baptized more than one year after her birth.

[Back:] vertically up the side, written in the same hand as the front: Extract of baptism of Marie-Louise jardelas, Widow Larquet

across the top: Note: that which you have on the bottom of the page is not a note of the person who transcribed this act of baptism conforming to the original which is torn up. [“Torn up” is a literal translation; the writer simply may have meant “destroyed.”]

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It is likely that in 1793 when she prepared to marry, Marie Louise Jardela required a copy of her baptismal record containing her parents' names to determine her degree of consanguinity with the groom. Her baptismal record was made available to the priest who would determine degree of relationship and perform the marriage ceremony. Many years later, about 1847, when Marie Louise was about seventy-five years old, the original extract was used as proof of her age. It is that copy which resides in the Refeld papers. Perhaps Larquet/Jardela researchers will find she was applying for a pension.

**OBITUARIES FROM THE  
BAKERSFIELD CALIFORNIAN OF FORMER ARKANSANS  
WHO DIED IN 2006 AND 2007**

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AGS member and California resident Mildred Tatum abstracts obituaries of deceased Arkansas natives that appear in her local newspaper and posts them to the AGS List at [ags@rootsweb.com](mailto:ags@rootsweb.com). She has given us permission to reprint her abstracts in *The Arkansas Family Historian*. These are the obituary abstracts that she posted beginning in August 2006 and continuing through 2007. Her work is an example of easy ways family historians can help one another and also make valuable genealogical information accessible for future generations. This title will be indexed by the Allen County Public Library to include in the Periodical Source Index (PERSI), making this article and these obituaries available and accessible for years to come. Furthermore, every name found below is indexed in this volume. We hope you find one of your long-lost relatives here.

Lloyd S. Hance died 1 August 2006 and was survived by his wife Linda. He was born 1 September 1917 in Casa, Ark., to Greeny and Dora Hance.

Randy Dale Miller, born 12 November 1956 in Portland, Ark., to John and Trece Miller, died 1 August 2006. His wife Darlene survives him.

Maysell Wood was born 9 August 1916 in Vilonia, Ark., and died 2 August 2006. She was married for sixty-five years to Wilson Wood who predeceased her.

Wayne L. Bell, born 21 April 1923 in Moreland, Ark., to Ross and Vera Bell, died 8 August 2006. Alma Lucille, his wife of sixty-five years, survives him.

Bill G. Crowder died 16 August 2006. He was born 26 August 1924 in Bentonville, Ark., to Frank and Georgia Ellis Crowder. He is survived by Amy, his wife of fifty-nine years.

Daniel Hoyd Williams died 22 August 2006. He was born 8 February 1914 in Green Forest, Ark., to John and Elsie Williams. His wife Lonie Jane predeceased him.

Tommy Graves died 25 August 2006. She was born 17 August 1933 in Cotton Plant, Ark. Her family migrated to Taft, Calif. and later to Bakersfield. Her husband Travis survives her.

Fay Stacy died 28 August 2006. She was born 26 August 1924 in Rushing, Ark., and moved to Calif. with her family during the depression. Brock, her husband of forty years, survives her.

Billy (Rex) Woodruff died 31 August 2006. He was born 23 August 1933 in Ratcliff, Ark. to Frank and Rexie Woodruff. He was a resident of McFarland, Calif. and is survived by Mary Evelyn, his wife of fifty-two years.

Earl Newton Billingsley, born 12 November 1928 in Ark. to Leslie and Mary Billingsley, died 1 Sept 2006. He is survived by Dale, his wife of fifty-two years.

Imogene W. Taylor died 4 September 2006. She was born 3 May 1922 in Waldron, Ark., to Carry and Bessie Brothers. Raymond, her husband of sixty-four years, survives her.

Nina Leon Parrish died 9 September 2006. She was born 6 March 1921 in Tuckerman, Ark., to Gene and Elsie Whitside. Her husband Bud preceded her in death.

Lenora Jean Jackson was born 13 November 1924 in Marmaduke, Ark., to Alva and Clay Hunter Newton and died 10 September 2006. Her husband W. H. Hank Jackson preceded her in death.

Ada Mae Glover died 13 September 2006. She was born 25 January 1922 in Calamine, Ark., and raised in Swifton, Ark. Her parents were Ewen and Ann Crabtree.

Wanda Martha Stroub was born 10 December 1931 in Lavaca, Ark., to Jess and Ola Mae Crook and died 22 September 2006.

Alma Cox, born 14 March 1916 in Camp, Ark., to Albert and Cora Todd, died 25 October 2006. Duncan, her husband of forty-nine years, preceded her in death.

Charles H. DePriest was born 12 November 1921 in Plainview, Ark., and died 28 October 2006. He leaves behind Alene, his wife of fifty-six years.

Robert Adams Tharp (Bob) was born 7 November 1917 in Morrilton, Ark., and died 31 October 2006. Gussie, his wife of sixty-eight years, survives him.

Richard Lum George, born 11 June 1937 in Danville, Ark., to Jewel and Regina McCarrell George died 21 November 2006 in Wofford Heights, Calif.

Helen Ruth Reed Andreatta was born 19 July 1933 in Mena, Ark., and died 30 November 2006. Her husband Jack survives her.

Ella Reah Dunham was born 25 April 1911 in Sulphur Rock, Ark., to Isaac and Minnie Weaver and died 8 December 2006. She married Thomas Willis Dunham in 1928 and they moved to Calif. in 1938. Her husband predeceased her.

Floy Eunice McDougal was born 19 March 1911 in Rosebud, Ark., to Luther and Margaret Winter and died 8 December 2006. Her husband Morris preceded her in death.

Altie Len Cook, born 2 May 1920 in Stuttgart, Ark., to Anderson and Lou Engle Beggs, died 9 December 2006. Edward Cook, her husband of forty-six years, preceded her in death.

John Paul Davis was born 16 August 1942 in Ark. to Darrell and Mary Davis and died 10 December 2006. He is survived by his mother and Mary his wife of forty-four years.

Harold William Farmer was born 29 July 1928 in White Oak, Ark., and died 11 December 2006. He moved to Calif. for work but returned to Ark. when he retired. He was buried in Weddington Cemetery in Washington County. Lina, his wife of fifty-nine years, survives him.

Claudia Merle Harris was born 21 April 1921 in Arkadelphia, Ark., and died 16 December 2006. Her husband Lester Vernon Harris preceded her in death.

Mildred E. Bean died 2 January 2007 in Delano, Calif. She was born 2 July 1922 in Trumann, Ark., to William and Maude Massey and married to Belton Bean for over sixty-six years.

Evelyn Sonnier died 12 January 2007. She was born 18 October 1934 in Marshall, Ark., to Guy and Viola Rains. Her husband Gardner preceded her in death.

Orlene Martha Davis, a resident of Taft, Calif., died 21 January 2007. She was born in Chickalah, Ark., to Howard and Annie Rowland and had been married to her husband sixty-two years before he died. Burial was in Taft.

James Franklin Cornelison died 22 January 2007. He was born 29 September 1912 in Rocky, Ark., and was a WWII veteran.

Irma Arlene (Gaston) Hawkins Even died 23 January 2007. She was born 18 October 1907 in rural Arkansas north of Little Rock to W. T. and Artie Gaston. Her father was an early pioneer of the Assembly of God churches in Ark. She was married to Floyd Hawkins and after his death to Robert Even.

Patricia Jean (Hopkins) Smithson, a resident of Shafter, Calif., died 25 January 2007. She was born 11 Jan 1941 in Patterson, Ark., to Charles and Jennie Hopkins.

W. C. Novel died 28 January 2007. He was born 4 November 1939 in Marvel, Ark., to Will and Lula Franklin Novel.

Nancy June Ridgeway Byers died 8 February 2007. She was born 20 May 1934 in Horatio, Ark., to George and Erma Manning Longacre. Her husband Robert Byers survived her.

Thelma Lorraine Horton died 10 February 2007. She was born 7 October 1920 in Little Rock, Ark., to Frank and Ada Shelton. Two husbands, Glenn Horton and Joe Dodson, preceded her in death.

Maudie M. Brown died 24 February 2007 and was buried in Delano, Calif. She was born 26 June 1915 in Ark. and married to Edwin Brown.

Juanita Mamie Jones died 25 February 2007 and was buried in Arvin, Calif. She was born 6 June 1924 in Alma, Ark., to Levi and Mary Pope and married James Jones in Ark. He preceded her in death.

Willie Mae Glover died 26 February 2007. She was born 13 July 1929 in Ark. to John and Vina Brooks and preceded in death by her husband Ambrose.

J. C. McVay died 27 February 2007 and was buried in Shafter, Calif. He was born 4 March 1922 in Atkins, Ark., to Riley and Iona McVay. His wife Elsie preceded him in death.

Laury M. Rose, Sr., died 7 March 2007. He was born 13 January 1912 in Ozark, Ark., and is survived by Esther, his wife of sixty-six years.

Walter Ray Martindale died 8 March 2007. He was born 13 January 1912 in Ark. to Walter and Emma Martindale. He was survived by his wife Viva.

Bob Clemons died 9 March 2007. He was born in May 1936 in Nashville, Ark., and is survived by Judy, his wife of forty-seven years.

Larry Joe McCuan died 14 March 2007. He was born 7 January 1949 in Dumas, Ark., to Charlie and Gladys McCuan.

James Clinton McWhorter (Don) died 17 March 2007. He was born 28 October 1947 in Little Rock, Ark. Betty, his wife of forty years, survived him.

Hildred Louise Davis died 17 March 2007. She was born 31 October 1942 in Tollette, Ark., to Dennis and Katie Goodloe Adams and leaves behind extensive family.

Inez Thurman died 19 March 2007. She was born 16 September 1914 in Oxford, Ark., to Frank and Effie Rowden Irwin. Orvil, her husband of seventy years preceded her in death.

Malinda L. Mays-Ball died 20 March 2007. She was born 25 September 1909 in Ark. to Joseph and Arizona McIntyre. She was the widow of Chester Ball.

Clyde E. Matthews died 13 April 2007. He was born 24 November 1914 in Rogers, Ark., to Walter and Laura Matthews. His wife was the former Eura Brassfield.

Ruth E. Myrick died 15 April 2007. She was born 8 March 1930 in Ark. William T. Myrick, her husband of fifty-two years, preceded her in death.

Mary Maxine Casados died 15 April 2007. She was born 19 November 1919 in Little Rock, Ark. John Casados, her husband of forty-seven years, preceded her in death.

Clifford Eugene Payne died 27 April 2007. He was born 7 December 1941 in Bald Knob, Ark. His wife Virginia survives him.

Thomas Edward Lee Choate died 29 April 2007. He was born 25 December 1917 in Howard County, Ark. Dorothy, his wife of sixty-seven years, survived him.

Sam M. Elkins died 28 April 2007. He was born 21 March 1913 in Lepanto, Ark., to James and Elsie Elkins. He came to Delano, Cal., in 1933 and was married to his wife Wilda for seventy years. A memorial service was held May 30.

Ruby Leaver died 13 May 2007. She was born 10 November 1913 in Ozark, Ark. Fred Leaver, her husband of sixty-three years, predeceased her.

Sadie Smith died 19 May 2007 at age 101. She was born 16 Feb 1906 in Herpel, Ark. Her husband Clay Smith preceded her in death.

[Desmond Walls Allen of Arkansas Research, Inc. noted that Sadie was Hershel Sadie September Williams Smith, daughter of Charles Franklin Williams and Dora Alberta (Aunt Bert) Nesbitt.]

Myrtle Deaton Dickey died 22 May 2007. She was born 15 November 1915 in Sparkman, Ark., and was married to Carlos Dickey for sixty-three years until his death.

Rebecca Dukellis died 22 May 2007. She was born 30 September 1927 in Pocahontas, Ark., to Jasper and Cleo McCormack. Her husbands Paul Privett and John Dukellis preceded her in death.

Mable McCourt died 28 May 2007. She was born 23 January 1932 in Casa, Ark., to Richmond and Mamie Wise. She married Roy McCourt in 1950 and he survives her.

James Charles Smith died 30 May 2007. He was born 21 December 1931 in Dumas, Ark., to Cephus and Benola Smith. He was married first to Bernice Moore and later to Cheryl Smith and was a pastor in the local area for many years.

Martha Olma Whitney Goff died 2 June 2007 in Paris, Tennessee. She was born 21 May 1927 in Arkansas, but was a Bakersfield resident for many years. Burial was in Bakersfield.

Hortense Nobles died 3 June 2007. She was born 28 February 1914 in Weeks, Ark., to Homer and Kate Evetts. She was a teacher in Okla. for several years and married her husband Ray there in 1940.

Louise "Red" Heyart died 13 June 2007. She was born 1 November 1926 in Greenwood, Ark., to Earl and Nettie Martin. She moved to Bakersfield when a child and married Albert Heyart sixty-one years ago.

Jimmy Ray Hooker died 13 June 2007. He was born 16 December 1948 in Paragould, Ark., to Charles and Lillie Copeland Hooker. He was a Vietnam War veteran and married to Paula Joy for twenty-nine years.

Gerald R. Reeves died 14 June 2007. He was born 20 October 1941 in Ark. to Frank and Lois Reeves. He worked in farming and later had an appliance store.

William McKinley Ennis died 15 June 2007. He was born 17 January 1932 in Scranton, Ark., to Ballard and Lucy Ennis. Tomie, his wife of fifty-three years, survives him.

Pansy Irene Sears died 17 June 2007. She was born 11 May 1917 in Clarksville, Ark., to Robert B. and Maudie Coffman.

William Joseph "Bill" Pierce died 19 June 2007. He was born 14 November 1932 in Batesville, Ark., to William and Jewell Pierce. His ashes will be placed in the Pierce family plot in Batesville, Ark.

Dallas Geneva Stewart died 22 June 2007 in St. George, Utah, and was buried in Bakersfield. She was born 21 September 1920 in Chidester, Ark.

Roy C. Huckabee died 1 July 2007 and was buried in Taft, California. He was born 7 December 1944 in Hope, Ark., to Carl and Opal Huckabee. [Will Johnson posted a note to the AGS List saying that Carl Huckabee was a son of William “Billy” Huckabee by his wife “Jennie” Rider born about 1877 in Ark.; that Billy was born 27 Sep 1876, likely in Springfield, Hempstead County, to John M. Huckabee (1853-1931) and his wife Bethany Dudley (1856-1920) who were resident in Springfield by 1880 and who both died there.]

Roy O. Dunn died 8 July 2007. He was born 30 May 1916 in Amity, Ark. He married Elizabeth Bennett and they moved to Bakersfield in 1939. She preceded him in death.

Mattie Viola Edwards died 8 July 2007. She was born 15 December 1904 in Prairie Grove, Ark., to Frank and Malinda Richardson. Her family moved when she was young to Sallisaw, Okla., where she married Charley Edwards. They had been married fifty-seven years.

Albert “Jess” Copeland Jr., died 14 July 2007. He was born 14 May 1930 in Bexar, Ark., to Albert and Lottie Copeland. His wife Royce Elaine predeceased him.

Carroll Dean Welch died 22 July 2007 and was buried in Delano, Calif., cemetery. He was born 18 November 1932 in High, Carroll County, Ark., to Loyal and Verna High Welch. He was a teacher for forty years in Delano and is survived by Shirley Ann, his wife of fifty-three years.

Alvin Patterson died 22 July 2007. He was born 10 November 1932 in Camden, Ark., to Nancy Lee Sumler and Ovel Patterson. He attended school in Arkansas and later moved to California with his grandparents. He is survived by his wife Linda, children, and many family members.

James Newton Jones died 10 July 2007. He was born in Arkansas 3 November 1920 and raised in Missouri. He moved to California in the 1940s. He married Dorothy Weise and raised four children. His second wife was Dorrie Gilliland.

Opal Pearl Hance was born 29 June 1935 in Dumas, Arkansas, to Tom and Della Ross and died 11 August 2007. She is survived by Truman Hance, her husband of fifty-five years, and her family.

Doyle Quinton Terrell was born 19 December 1936 in Mena, Arkansas, to Matthew and Bernice Terrell, and he died 17 August 2007. A Navy veteran, he served in the reserves for twenty years. He married Patsy Stephens in 1958 and she survives him.

Gladys Ruth Banducci was born 18 October 1936 in Arkansas to Jewell and Ila Martin. [No death date listed.]

Dorothy Irene Pankey, born 21 June 1919 in Bradford, Ark., to Thomas and Genetta Berry, died 30 August 2007. She married Edward Pankey in 1936. He predeceased her in 1991.

Selana Barber was born 31 January 1931 in Marvell, Arkansas, and died 9 September 2007. She was married to Wes Barber who preceded her in death. She is survived by her sons.

Pauline "Skeeter" Brown died 21 September 2007. She was born 2 February 1915 in Ark. to Fred and Bessie Perryman Wood. She was the widow of Samuel E. Brown who she married in Oklahoma.

Corvin Dallas Davenport died 24 September 2007. He was born 29 July 1920 in Coal Hill, Ark., and was a veteran of WW II. His wife Esther (Kate) Ogden predeceased him.

Loyd Noel Weese Jr. died 28 September 2007 in Brookings, Ore., where he was buried. He was born 28 February 1941 in Van Buren, Ark. He and his wife Betty Stewart lived in Bakersfield for many years. She survives him.

Eunice Mae Marchant Besson died 2 October 2007 in Salem, Ark. She was born 21 January 1918 in Viola, Ark., to Adolphus and Nova Bettis Haynes. She was twice a widow, having been married to Travis Marchant for fifty-two years and to Louis Besson for thirteen years.

Calvin Willie Young was born 22 February 1929 in Mena, Ark., to Oscar and Leatha Young and served in the military service. He died 14 October 2007 and was buried in Delano, Calif.

Robert Boone Stacy, born 15 November 1924 in Lewisville, Ark., was a veteran of World War II. He died 21 October 2007 and is survived by his wife of sixty-four years, Nora Imogene.

Leon Vernon Harness was born 14 May 1920 in Sulpher Springs, Ark., to Carroll James and Lucy Veneable Harness. His family moved to Okla. when he was two years old. He served in the USAF during the 1940s and married Marjorie Kraft in 1945. He died 28 October 2007 and was buried in North Kern Cemetery.

Robilee “Bobby” Whitlock was born 26 March 1930 to John and Mabel Berry in Rector, Ark., where she grew up and married Marion Whitlock. She died 29 October 2007 in Eugene, Ore., and was buried in Bakersfield, Calif.

John Sanford Lindley was born 22 March 1920 in Tuckerman, Ark., and orphaned at an early age. He served as a pilot in the USAF during WW II. He died 2 November 2007, having been preceded in death by his wife Lou.

Carlton L. Hooper was born in Blythville, Ark., on 1 November 1923. He flew twenty-two missions over Germany during WW II and became well known in the California cotton ginning industry. He died 4 November 2007, survived by his wife Shirley and other family.

Harrison Eugene Moudy, born 19 January 1943 in Belleville, Ark., died 4 November 2007 in Porterville, Calif. A memorial service was held at California Hot Springs.

Rhoda Ethel Garvin was born 16 September 1919 in Gassville, Ark., to Harvey and Narrah Anglin. She was the widow of Paul Garvin who she married in 1938 in Ark. She died 9 November 2007.

Sandra Jean Park Foster was born 21 June 1941 in Marmaduke, Ark., and died 10 November 2007, survived by children and other family members.

Mary Bishop was born 7 March 1923 in Shirley, Ark., to Emmett and Grace Brown and died 13 November 2007. She and her husband P. C. Bishop had eleven children. The couple moved to Calif. in 1955.

Jeanne Scott Swigart was born 3 August 1925 in Little Rock, Ark. Wayne, her husband of forty-three years, predeceased her. She died on 18 November 2007 survived by her children and grandchildren.

Horace D. Helms, called Johnny, was born 18 November 1919 in Flippen, Ark. He was a medic during WW II and helped to save Senator Bob Dole's life. He died 28 November 2007 survived by his wife Vera, his sons, and grandchildren.

Everett Loyal Boen, born 19 July 1914 in Ozark, Ark., to William and Mary Boen, worked in the shipyards during WW II. He died 27 November 2007, preceded by Nettie Mae, his wife of fifty-one years.

Patric Thomas (PaPa) was born 26 November 1926 in Gurdon, Ark., to William and Sula Thomas. He served during WW II in the United States Navy. He died 28 November 2007, survived by his wife Wanda Faye who he married in 1949.

Mary Bernice Witherspoon was born 10 October 1918 in Baxter County, Ark., to Bud and Sarah Mansfield. She was preceded in death by her husband Earl Witherspoon who she married in 1935. She died 6 December 2007 after living in Delano, Calif., for many years.

Bonnie Kathleen Ethridge was born 20 October 1924 in Green Forest, Ark. She died 8 December 2007, preceded by her husband Leo and some of their children.

William Nelms was born 9 May 1927 in Waveland, Ark. He was a WWII veteran who met his wife Kay Toshiko in Japan. They were married fifty-nine years before he died 18 December 2007.

Larkie Stahl Cook was born 20 June 1908 in Plainview, Ark., to Daniel and Martha Elms Stahl. She died 18 December 2007, preceded in death by her parents and siblings.

Mabel Alberta Stubblefield Pheil was born in Springdale on 23 January 1920 and died 31 December 2007. She was the widow of Warren Pheil and Robert Stubblefield.

**ARKANSAS COUNTY VOTER LIST  
1948  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT, ARKANSAS TOWNSHIP**

*Submitted by Jerrie Jones Townsend  
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The Stuttgart Public Library holds the Arkansas County Voter List Books for the years 1948-1963. The following names of electors in Arkansas township were transcribed from the 1948 book.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Color</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>School Dist</b>
Bass, A. M.	c	Gillett	9
Bauer, J. H.	w	Gillett	66
Bauer, A. G.	w	Gillett	66
Bohnert, W. J.	w	Gillett	66
Bohnert, Mrs. W. J.	w	Gillett	66
Boyd, Geo.	c	Gillett	9
Bridgewater, John H.	c	Gillett	9
Brown, Albert	c	Gillett	66
Brown, Collester	c	Gillett	66
Brown, Murl	c	Gillett	66
Brown, Cleve	c	Gillett	66
Butler, Mary	c	Gillett	9
Byers, J. R.	w	Gillett	9
Byers, Mrs. J. R.	w	Gillett	9
Cooper, Sinclair	c	Gillett	9
Dodson, A. L.	w	Gillett	9
Elrod, Fred	w	Gillett	66
Elrod, Mrs. Fred	w	Gillett	66
Fells, Arlenious	c	Gillett	9
Fells, Arthur	c	Gillett	9
Fuhrman, Simon	w	Gillett	66
Galloway, Chas.	c	Gillett	9
Hartsook, Guy	w	Gillett	66
Hill, Lee	c	Gillett	9
Haug, Lawrence W.	w	Gillett	66

Name	Color	Address	School Dist
Hughes, Paul C.	w	Gillett	9
Hughes, Ruth J.	w	Gillett	9
Hughes, Robb	w	Gillett	9
Jackson, Luther	c	Gillett	66
Jones, Henry	c	Gillett	9
Jones, Salley Galloway	c	Gillett	9
Kirchoff, James E.	w	Gillett	66
Kirkandall, James	c	Gillett	9
Lemon, L. R.	w	Gillett	66
Mattmiller, S. T.	w	Gillett	66
Mattmiller, Mrs. S. T.	w	Gillett	66
Mattmiller, Chas. F.	w	Gillett	66
Mattmiller, Mrs. Chas. F.	w	Gillett	66
Miller, Joseph	c	Gillett	9
Monroe, J. E.	w	Gillett	66
Owens, S. C.	w	Gillett	66
Perritt, W. M.	w	Gillett	9
Perritt, W. A.	w	Gillett	9
Perritt, Mrs. W. A.	w	Gillett	9
Pickett, Maranda	c	Gillett	9
Poll, Henry	w	Gillett	66
Poll, Mrs. Henry	w	Gillett	66
Quandt, Mrs. M. R.	w	Gillett	66
Quandt, C. M.	w	Gillett	66
Quandt, Mrs. C. M.	w	Gillett	66
Reed, W. F.	w	Gillett	66
Reed, Mrs. W. F.	w	Gillett	66
Reeves, Ernest	c	Gillett	9
Refeld, S. R.	c	Gillett	9
Refeld, Jack	c	Gillett	66
Refeld, B. J.	c	Gillett	9
Rice, Roy	w	Gillett	66
Rice, Mrs. Roy	w	Gillett	66
Rice, C. E.	w	Gillett	66
Rice, Mrs. C. W.	w	Gillett	66
Richter, Paul	w	Gillett	66
Richter, Mrs. Paul	w	Gillett	66
Richter, Wm. E.	w	Gillett	66
Richter, Stella E.	w	Gillett	66
Richter, Elmer	w	Gillett	66

<b>Name</b>	<b>Color</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>School Dist</b>
Richter, Theodore	w	Gillett	66
Riley, A. T.	c	Gillett	9
Riley, Frank	c	Gillett	9
Russell, Emma	c	Gillett	66
Schwede, Fred	w	Gillett	66
Stovall, Richard	c	Gillett	9
Stovall, Arthur	c	Gillett	9
Summons, Fred	c	Gillett	9
Terry, Julia	c	Gillett	9
Trimble, E. W.	w	Gillett	66
Trimble, Mrs. E. W.	w	Gillett	66
Vayson, Alonzo	c	Gillett	9
Vayson, Lula	c	Gillett	9
Vizzier, John	w	Gillett	66
Walker, Leroy	c	Gillett	66
West, Gentry	w	Gillett	66
Weinrich, A. C. F.	w	Gillett	66
Weinrich, Mrs. Elsie	w	Gillett	66
Wilson, Ed	c	Gillett	66
Williams, Warren	c	Gillett	9
Williams, Edgar	c	Gillett	9
Wright, Henry	c	Gillett	9

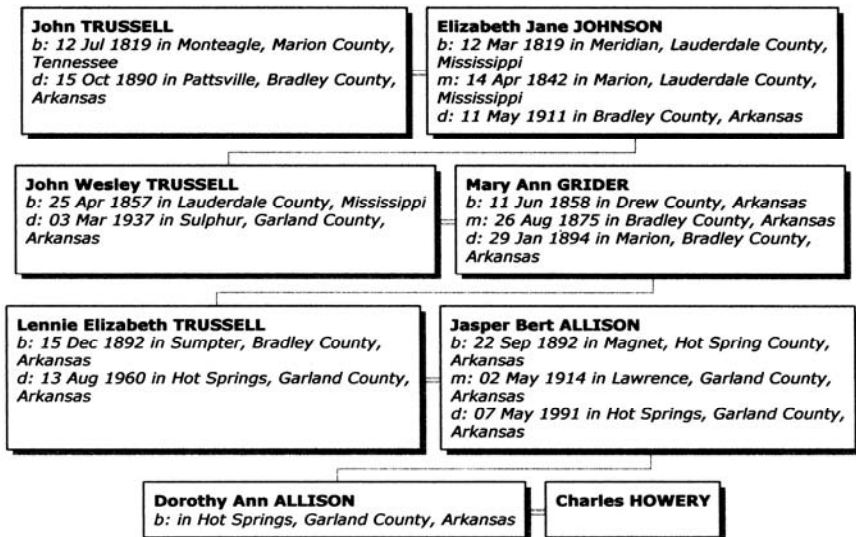
This list is certified by the Arkansas County Sheriff/Ex-Officio Collector Lloyd LaFargue and County Clerk C. L. Morgan to be a “true and correct list of all persons who have paid Poll Tax for the year 1948, between the Third Monday in February to and including the First day of October, 1948....”

## Arkansas Ancestry Certificates

### Antebellum Ancestry Certificate for Dorothy Ann Allison Howery

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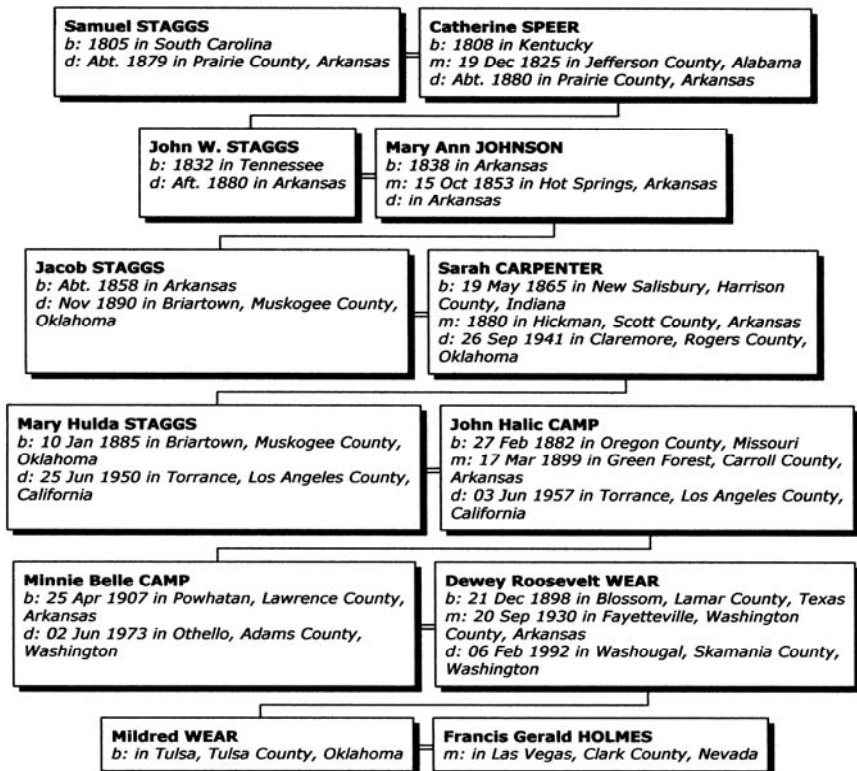
Dorothy Ann Allison Howery received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the Antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The Antebellum ancestor was John Trussell. John Trussell was in Bradley County, Arkansas, by or before 29 November 1860 when the 1860 federal census was taken there.



## Antebellum Ancestry Certificate for Mildred Wear Holmes

*Submitted by Mildred Wear Holmes  
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Marysville, WA 98270  
mildredwear@peoplepc.com*

Mildred Wear Holmes received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the Antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The Antebellum ancestor was Samuel Staggs. Samuel Staggs was in Dallas County, Arkansas, by or before 12 October 1850 when the 1850 federal census was taken there.



## Arkansas Queries

Members may submit as many queries as they wish at any time. E-mail to [Publications@agsgenealogy.org](mailto:Publications@agsgenealogy.org) or post to AGS, PO Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222.

**ADKINS – JACKSON:** Searching for the date and place of death for James H Adkins. James is listed in 1900 Cross Co AR census as a raftsmen with wife Sarah Jackson Adkins and children Mary and John. Courthouse records show him deceased in 1916. *Patsy Spencer Hooper* 2153 LaSalle Ave, Gretna LA 70056-4514

**ALFORD – DAVIS – HATCH – HUDSON – JESTES – ORR – SPRING/SPRINGS – WATSON:** Wish to share information on these surnames in Arkansas. *Patsy R Livingston* 1408 Texas Hwy 77W, Atlanta TX 75551 [forpine@att.net](mailto:forpine@att.net)

**ANDERSON – JONES – HOLDER – HUGH – JEFFERSON – RIGGS – WHEAT – WOOD:** William A Jones b abt 1839 m in 1860 to Margaret Riggs b abt 1842. Census records indicate they were b in Arkansas. They lived in Ouachita Co in 1860 (now Nevada Co), Carouse PO. By the 1880 census that part of Ouachita Co was Nevada Co and they were living in Redland Twp. Margaret's parents are believed to be William M Riggs and Fannie. Her siblings were Pollie Riggs who m Elias Wheat, Hugh Wood, Melinda and Melissa. William and Margaret's children were William A Jones Jr, Jimmy, Melissa Ann m Jack Holder, Levi W, Joe Thomas, Malinda m Lofton Anderson, J Hugh, Johnny and Lewis Jefferson. Need parents of William A Jones Sr and mother of Margaret Riggs.

*Barbara L Morrow* 2 Dogwood Cr, Nashville AR 71852-9317 [tommymorrow@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tommymorrow@sbcglobal.net)

**ARKANSAS STATE PRISON RECORDS:** When an inmate of Arkansas State Prison died abt 1895/1896 where would he likely have been buried and where would his death and burial records be filed? *Doris Toon Alley* 1083 CR 1060, Cooper TX 75432 [dlta@neto.com](mailto:dlta@neto.com)

**ANSWER** from Russell Baker: During the period of 1895/1896 the Arkansas State prison was located exactly where the State Capital building is now located in Little Rock. When prisoners died, unless the

family reclaimed the body, they were buried in unmarked graves within the prison grounds. The location of this grave yard is now long lost. The Arkansas History Commission has a few records of prisoners on microfilm. However, almost no indexes are available for them. Sometimes the deaths of prisoners – especially if they were noteworthy – were noted in the Little Rock Arkansas Gazette. Sometimes the hometown newspaper of a prisoner will note his death.

**BROOM – BUSSEY – JOHNSON – MORROW – SANDERS:**

Researching the following families in Columbia Co.: Anderson Bussey, Andy Johnson, John R Sanders, James Broom and George Morrow mid to late 1800s. *James A Johnson* 1812 Crater Cr, Bossier City LA 71112 jjohnson747@suddenlink.net

**CARTER – LEE – ROBINSON:** I am searching for info on Chapman and Eliza Carter and for info on Joseph Lee, Mollie Robinson and Emily Lee. They all resided in Lafayette Co AR in 1870. *Alice M Steele* 15900 Rinaldi St, Granada Hills CA 91344 alstee3@aol.com

**BRASHEARS – DACUS:** James Thomas Brashears b March 1868 in TN. Moved to Craighead Co AR and m Dovie Dacus. Later moved to Greene Co AR. Had son William Elbert Brashears. Looking for info on James and Dovie. *L Irene Dallas Goble* POB 60, Bassett AR 72313 pecanpt@mcec.coop

**FIELDER:** I am trying to determine when William Ridge Fielder Sr b 11 November 1819 Oglethorpe Co GA arrived in Arkansas. He was in Tallapoosa Co AL on the 1840 census and in Dallas Co AR by 1850. *Linda Henry* 5704 N Cedar, North Little Rock AR 72116 jfhenry@aristotle.net

**GLENN – PEEL:** Seeking info abt g g grandparents Hardy and Nancy J Glenn and their son Joseph. My last record of Hardy Glenn is 1870 Pulaski Co AR census. Last record of Nancy J Glenn and son Joseph is 1880 Lonoke Co AR census, which recorded them in the household of John and Louisa (Glenn) Peel. *Robert R Edwards* 300 Lakeridge Dr, Russellville AR 72802-9276 bobandcarolyn@suddenlink.net

**HARVEY:** Seeking info on Samuel Harvey prior to 1910. Samuel was b abt 19 April 1876 presumably in Grand Junction City, Hardeman Co, TN. Samuel is listed on the US census in AR in 1910, 1920 and 1930. I

am unable to locate Samuel bef 1910. Samuel died in Conway, Faulkner Co AR 24 August 1954. **Ida R Dockery** 3925 Euclid Ave, Kansas City MO 64130

**HINSON – MARSHALL – SCOTT:** Looking for info on a Samuel Scott b in Arkansas, Izard Co/Stone Co area abt 1845, son of James Scott and Nancy Hinson. Found on 1850 and 1860 census, gone by 1870. Need to know if he married an Elizabeth Marshall in mid to late 1862. Did he have two daughters named Angeline and Mary? **Kathryn L Garcia** 5111 Tiffany Cr, Killeen TX 76549 kgsearcher@aol.com

**HILLIARD – RICHBOURG – WHITE:** Murphy Melchigie White b 16 March 1862 in MS. Married Lula Hilliard in 1897, White Co AR. Later moved to England, Lonoke Co, AR. Father of Murphy was Lee Roy White; brothers and sister: Zach, Winchester, Malvina, John, Farrin White. Lee Roy m Charity Richbourg. I am looking for info on brothers and sisters. **L Irene Dallas Goble** POB 60, Bassett AR 72313 pecanpt@mcec.coop

**HOLIMAN:** Searching for Emma Jean Holiman b c1926 or any of her descendants or friends. Last known married name was Martin (1980); dau of Cornelious H Holiman and Flora Ward Holiman of North Little Rock; g dau of William W Holiman and g g dau of Dr Joshua C Holiman of Hot Springs. **Norman E Holiman** 35 Green Brier Rd, Narragansett RI 02882-5207 normanh401@aol.com

**JARDELAS – SIMPSON – SMITH – WOLVERTON:** Any info on Jardelas, Wolverton, Simpson located at Arkansas Post during 1800s in Arkansas or Desha counties. Zeno Jardelas b 9 February 1826 m 10 October 1860 to Jane Smith an Indian or part Indian. William Wolverton b MS on 1840 census in Desha Co AR with his dau Emily who married a Simpson. Emily died in 1911. **Maureen Cook** 600 Cook Ramp Rd, Watson AR 71674 [Editor's note: please see the article on page 37 about the baptism and marriage of Marie Louise Jardelas.]

**JONES – PRICE – WILSON:** Mrs. Neil Price, niece of Elizabeth Christine Jones is mentioned in the Jones obit in June 1987. I have been unable to find her. She may be a daughter or granddaughter of either John Willie Wilson or his brother Ernest E Wilson. Both Wilsons were sons of Jones' sister Fannie Josephine Jones. Both lived in Johnson Co

AR in Knoxville area. **Barry Henson** 221 Via Los Miradores, Redondo Beach CA 90277-6761 bearzfacts@gmail.com

**LOGAN – SCOTT:** Always looking for Scotts: Judge Andrew Scott, Walter Ferguson Scott etc. and Logan families. I will share any info. I am a direct descendant of Walter Ferguson Scott.

**Lynne Scott-Drennan** 137 Rambling Dr, Folsom CA 95630-4644 amandascott@worldnet.att.net

**MARTIN:** Any info about Dr J A Martin of Arkansas Co. He was b 1843 in Indiana, moved to Arkansas Co in August 1875 where he remained until his death in February 1898. **Don Rawls** 504 Deerbrook Rd, Little Rock AR 72205 dbr@aristotle.net

**MEARS:** I am trying to find what happened to my g father, David Farrell Mears. He was b 14 September 1880 and was in Pope Co AR in 1900, 1910, 1920 censuses. He and my g mother were divorced in 1923 in Pope Co and he left and was never heard from again by any of his children. I have not been able to find him anywhere in the 1930 census. Can anyone help? He came to Pope Co from Fannin Co TX with his parents when he was a child. **Alice Wait Hollis** 203 Hollis Ln, Russellville AR 72802 aahollis@arkansas.net

**MOAD – RILEY:** Need info on descendants of William and Sarah Ann Riley Moad in Boone and Scott Counties. Lived in Waldron area during years leading up to the Civil War. **James B “Jim” McFerran** 825 N Kenwood Rd, Texarkana TX 75501-2622 jmcFerran@cableone.net

**WILLIAMSON:** John Williamson served as an Arkansas Territorial and early state senator. I am seeking info regarding his record and activities as an Arkansas Senator. **Michael J Williamson** 5472 S Castlebay Dr, Springfield MO 65809 mikewmson@sbcglobal.net

## Book Reviews

**Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace.** By Elizabeth Shown Mills. Genealogical Publishing Company, 3600 Clipper Mill Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21211. 2007. 885 pp.; indexes. Hard cover, \$49.95.

The foremost teacher of advanced genealogical methods and principles based on careful gathering of information, citation of sources, and analysis of evidence has worked hard to erase the long-perceived gap between the standards required of academic researchers as opposed to the standards required of family researchers. She continues to ask us as family historians to step up and do the right thing with our sources so our conclusions will be thoughtful, correct and valuable.

In this, her long awaited sequel to *Evidence! Citation and Analysis for the Family Historian*, Elizabeth Shown Mills has produced the ultimate guide, with hundreds of citation examples, but also with careful, concise, specific, thorough restatements of the fundamentals of evidence analysis and citation. Any beginning researcher would benefit from a reading of the first two chapters in this book as a foundation for the education they are going to receive from research experience. Any seasoned researcher would benefit from refreshing and renewing their vows of commitment to judging the reliability of information based on where it came from and the strengths and weaknesses of the source.

The author has devoted separate chapters to the various record sources, such as archives, business and institutions, cemeteries, census, church; local, state and federal governments; and publications from books to broadcasts and the web. Each chapter begins with QuickCheck Models which are examples of the source list entry, first or full reference note, and subsequent or short note for each format in which the researcher may gather information from that source. For instance, the chapter on church records contains models for church books, both named and numbered and held by the church or archived off-site; image copies, online or on film; and derivatives, such as a church issued certificate, a re-copied church book, or an online database. Following the models, each chapter proceeds with a text discussion of guidelines and examples. The discussion of church records includes issues like cultural differences,

citation elements, formats of original materials, image copies, and derivatives, such as transcripts and databases.

The reader benefits from a detailed table of contents at the beginning of each chapter with each item, nearly each paragraph, numbered. A glossary, bibliography, full index, and a separate index to the QuickCheck models all help to make this the most complete reference for the family historian to use when documenting his sources. The astute reader also will learn much about records in general from the models, examples, and discussions of sources.

**Finding Your Canadian Ancestors, A Beginner's Guide.** By Sherry Irvine and Dave Obee. Ancestry Publishing, 360 West 4800 North, Provo, Utah 84604. 2007. 269 pp.; index. Softbound, \$18.95.

This most up-to-date book about researching Canadian family history lists the important websites of the Library and Archives Canada [LAC], FamilySearch, and Ancestry in the introduction. That predicts the focus of the book which assumes research online or at a distance by using films or interlibrary loan. The authors do not emphasize on-site research.

Individual chapters address the LAC, especially use of its website, which includes the Canadian Genealogy Centre; geography, which emphasizes finding localities; immigration; census; vital records – both civil and church; cemeteries; probate records; military records; land records; newspapers; and other ways to find people such as directories or voter lists. Three other chapters treat distinct historic groups – the Aborigines, Acadians, and Loyalists. In each case, a concise but thorough description or history is followed by genealogical use of records, locating the records, research considerations, alternative sources, websites, and in most cases, a bibliography, and physical or postal addresses. Maps, charts, illustrations and examples aid understanding.

The last ten chapters address research in each individual province and the northern territories. The unique aspects of the history and records of each province are presented and maps, websites, bibliography, and addresses are included.

Four appendices and a comprehensive index complete the book. *Research Fundamentals* includes concise suggestions on being prepared for research, getting organized, documenting sources, the nature of sources and evidence, analysis, acquiring experience, and working toward goals. *Hazards* discusses pitfalls caused by names, places and

boundaries, dates, sources, and lack of high work standards. *The Internet* presents the fundamentals of using browsers, search engines, and gateway sites, plus FamilySearch and Ancestry. *Canadian History* consists of timelines for Canada, Canadian records, Britain, France, and the United States.

This book is well-written and easy to read. The format allows quick reference to a chapter or two for a specific purpose. For those of you with Canadian research, this book is inexpensive, helpful for beginners, and current with the latest website addresses, archives lists, and resources for all researchers.

**Wheat and Allied Families.** By Adelle Brown Ashford and Jessie Mae Ashford. Self-published. 2000. 417 pages. Hardcover, \$28.00, post paid. Photographs, index. Write Ms. Jessie M. Ashford, 1220 S. Main St., Apt. 108, Malvern, AR 72104-5274.

Researched, written, and published by sisters-in-law in Arkansas, this book provides brief histories of the ancestral families of Mrs. Adelle Ashford's grandsons. A separate chapter is devoted to the Wheat family and to each of the allied families of Graham, Walker, Watts, Byrd, Cherry, Batchelor, Biggs, Warlick, Jernigan, Petty, Moore, and Ward. Most of the families migrated to Ashley County, Arkansas, and some spread into Hot Spring and Grant counties. The Graham, Watts, and Biggs families married into one of the other allied families in Mississippi or North Carolina.

The table of contents lists each family by chapter and page numbers and lists the states each family resided in. The first two pages in the book list the persons in the direct lines in each family plus each person's spouse. Numbers designate generations and number of birth in the family, such as 2-1, for the second generation, first born.

While possible names for two earlier generations are provided, the earliest known Wheat was William B. who was born in Tennessee in 1826; resident in Holmes County, Mississippi, in 1850; and died in Ashley County, Arkansas, in 1873. His wife was Kitturah Graham, 1830 to 1860-66. Their son James M. Wheat, 1850-1934, married Lodusky Walker, 1855-1931, whose mother was Jane Watts, 1818-1882. In the third generation, Monroe L. Wheat, 1874-1959, married Sammy Inez Byrd, 1890-1936, whose direct line is followed back to about 1700 in North Carolina. Her mother was a Warlick, her grandmother a Batchelor,

and her great-grandmother a Cherry. A Biggs married into the Batchelor family in the 17<sup>th</sup> century, and a Jernigan married into the Warlick family in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. A Petty who married into the Wheat family in the 20<sup>th</sup> century had Moore and Ward ancestry in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

A significant amount of information is presented on each family, including data from census, deeds, and tax records, some of it transcribed in full. There are numerous good quality photographs, and an appendix contains photocopies of Bible records. A full name index and the underlining of direct ancestors makes the lines easy to find and follow.

Anyone with these surnames in the areas mentioned would do well to look at this book. The review copy has been donated to the Arkansas History Commission.

**Nicknames, Past and Present.** 5<sup>th</sup> Edition Expanded. By Christine Rose, CG, CGL, FASG. CR Publications, 1474 Montelegre Dr., San Jose, CA 95120-4831. 2007. 69 pp. Softbound, \$9.95, plus \$2.00 shipping.

This handy little book gets bigger with every edition. The focus is on given names, and the original separate lists for female and male nicknames continue here with more nicknames than before.

The second edition added an appendix containing Dutch/Frisian names and their equivalents and a separate appendix of English names with their Dutch/Frisian baptismal equivalents. The third edition added an appendix containing truncated or superscripted names, such as Chas for Charles or Edw<sup>d</sup> for Edward, and another appendix listing names that were used for males and females, such as Carol and Evelyn. An inspired addition in the fourth edition was Appendix E containing a reprint of Donald Lines Jacobus' very readable article, "Nicknames in New England" from *The American Genealogist*, vol. 45 (April 1959): 78-81, a discussion of the probable origin of many common nicknames.

This new fifth edition adds Appendix F, a list of Italian names, nicknames, and diminutives with their English equivalents. In her introduction, the author recounts her own research blocks caused by not recognizing a nickname. This reviewer recalls an early 19<sup>th</sup> century marriage record in her own direct line which recorded Nancy for the bride and the husband's deed of sale thirty years later recording the waiver of dower rights by wife Anna. Every family historian should have this inexpensive book at hand to aid analysis of evidence and avoid a temporary brick wall.

**Missing Pieces, How to Find Birth Parents and Adopted Children, A Search and Reunion Guidebook.** By Paul Drake and Beth Sherrill. Published by Heritage Books, 65 East Main Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157-5026. 2004. 280 pp.; index. Softbound, \$27.50.

This book will help anyone researching an adoption event, because it introduces a different perspective while recounting the process the authors followed to identify and locate Beth Sherrill's birth mother and father. Unlike other books dealing with adoption research which list methods, techniques, kinds of records, and explanations of law, this one begins with a more philosophical approach and discusses the emotions that come into play and the different points of view of the people involved. Part of the book is devoted to advising searchers, whether adoptees, birth parents, or adoptive parents, to set aside traditional attitudes and restraints imposed by the adoption system and to dispense with blame as it is counterproductive. The authors address why the members of the adoption triangle search for each other, such as a desire for knowledge, confirmation, or medical history, and then offer advice to each of the three individually.

In addressing the search process, the authors stress knowing the law; recognizing the difference between public and private adoptions; using registries, internet services, and lists; and recognizing the importance of the location of the birth as the one thing the birth parent and the child have in common. They emphasize the importance of obtaining a copy of the file that contains the non-identifying information, because, while it lacks names, it does provide physical descriptions, ages, educational background, and multi-generational clues that will be helpful in forming a profile. They advise against debating the issue of closed records as non-productive and point out that businesslike, polite, and subdued behavior is usually repaid with help and information. They suggest thorough questioning and searching in the locality of birth, including the hospital, the local newspapers, and the courthouse, as well as the placing of advertisements and the use of school yearbooks. The authors also offer advice concerning when and why it is appropriate to consult an attorney and suggest seeking a court order to unseal a record as a last resort. The story of Ms. Sherrill's success in locating her birth mother is heartening and provides a helpful lesson to others.

*Susan Boyle, Little Rock, Arkansas*

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